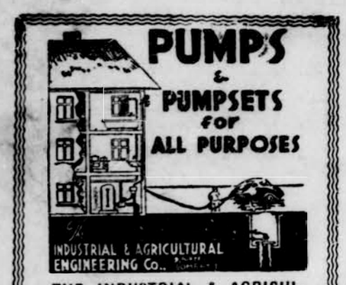

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Let League Command Prove 'Bona Fides'

"Reds" And Revisionists Routed In Canadian General Election

OTTAWA, March 27.

A Canadian observer commenting on the results of the election said that this was a great personal success to Mr. Mackenzie King. He added that Government has been returned with renewed confidence in order to prosecute the war.

"REDS" AND WOMEN ROUTED

Every Communist candidate has been defeated.

For the first time for many years the Canadian Parliament will be without a woman member as all the eight women candidates have been defeated.

The result of soldiers' voting in England has not been taken into account and this will not be available until next week.

This may alter some of the results, but not sufficiently to alter the main issue.

Easy Win For Ministers

All the Ministers had easy victories except Mr. MacKenzie, Minister of Pensions, who had only a narrow majority.

Mr. Murdo MacPherson, the runner-up to Mr. Manion for the leadership of the Conservative Party was defeated as well as Mr. Manion himself.

The Conservatives have thus lost the two principal leaders.

The Liberal gains include a number of seats won from Alberta's Social Credit Party.

State Of Parties

The latest state of Parties is:—

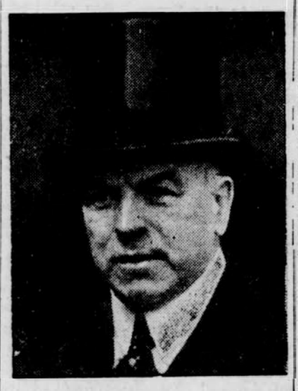
LIBERALS ..	172
NATIONAL GOVERNMENT	37
OTHERS ..	22
STILL DOUBTFUL	11

The House comprises 245 seats.

Reinforced by a record majority representing 53 per cent. of the National Vote, Mr. MacKenzie King will probably summon Parliament for either May 2 or 9'

King's Broadcast

In a broadcast, Mr. MacKenzie King said that he was relieved and proud that the Canadian people had shown other parts of the Empire that it was possible for Canada to carry through a general election in wartime without impairing the united war effort of a united country. He added: "You have seen with clear eyes the great issues. The result is proof that you felt that a vigorous and united war effort by a united Canada is necessary not only to aid Britain and France in the struggle to preserve freedom in Europe, but also essential to preserve true freedom in our own land."—Reuter.



Mr. Mackenzie King

"ALL AGAINST GERMANY"

Lord Samuel On His Tour Impressions Of Middle East

LONDON, March 27.

Lord Samuel broadcasting his impressions of his recent tour to Cyprus, Palestine and Egypt said that the countries he had visited were more at peace in wartime than they had been in peacetime; their local controversies had quietened down.

"Throughout that part of the world, all parties and all sections in all the countries are of one mind about the war. Turkey and Greece, Egypt and Palestine, Cyprus and Syria, and further away Iraq and the Hedjaz are a solid bloc of territory in which the rulers and the ruled everywhere take the same view on the dominant question of the day—the first time for many years that has been so. All are against Germany. All are deeply concerned that no aggressive totalitarian States should obtain a controlling influence in the Eastern Mediterranean. Every section, therefore, is anxious not to do anything that would hinder the war effort of Britain and France."—Reuter.

The R. A. F. brought down at least five enemy planes in France yesterday. Two others are believed to have been accounted for. One British fighter was lost.—Reuter.

POLICE OPEN FIRE ON CALCUTTA STRIKERS

CALCUTTA, March 27.

ABOUT FOUR PERSONS RECEIVED BULLET WOUNDS WHEN THE POLICE OPENED FIRE ON THE CROWD OF STRIKING SCAVENGERS THIS AFTERNOON AT COSSIPORE, A SUBURB OF CALCUTTA.

It transpires that about 500 scavengers belonging to Cossipore Gokhana of the Calcutta Municipality, who struck, while taking out a procession had their passage obstructed by the police near Barrackpore Trunk Road. It is alleged that the strikers first attacked the police as a result of which 12 policemen were injured and the police in self-defence opened fire with the above results.

The injured persons were taken to the hospital. Fifteen arrests have been made so far.—United Press.

SEC. 144 PROMULGATED

An order under Section 144 Cr. P C. has been promulgated in the Cossipore area where the clash occurred to-day.

The scavengers held a meeting in the evening on the maidan and discussed the strike situation.

About 1000 men employed by the Corporation to water the streets have gone on strike demanding a war bonus.—A. P.

ROUND-UP OF LABOUR LEADERS

A round-up of local Labour leaders was undertaken by the police this morning. Altogether, seven men including Mr. Abul Momin, were arrested.

Four of the men were taken into custody when they were addressing a meeting this morning of the Municipal workmen who went on strike yesterday. The others were arrested while picketing the municipal stables in north Calcutta.

The 15,000 scavengers who struck work yesterday did not resume work to-day. Greater part of their work is being carried on by 5,000 loyal workers and a number of temporary hands. In sympathy with the scavengers, the entire complement of 1,000 men in the Municipal Engineering Workshops have also struck.

At noon to-day a rally of about 2,000 scavengers was held on the maidan.—A. P.

Delhi Forward Bloc Officials Resign

NEW DELHI, March 27.

Disagreeing with the resolution passed by the anti-Compromise Conference at Ramgarh to start civil disobedience movement on April 6, Maulana Nooruddin Behari and Mr. Hamiduddin Dilber, President and Secretary respectively of the Delhi Forward Bloc have resigned their offices.

In sending in their resignation, they declare that the resolution is unsuitable at the present juncture. —A.P.

Norway Accuses Britain

Violation Of Territorial Waters By Warships: Protest Note

LONDON, March 27.

Representations were received in London yesterday from the Norwegian Government in regard to alleged violation of Norwegian territorial waters by British warships. These representations are now receiving the attention of the British Government.—Reuter.

MAHATMA IS BEST KNOWN INDIAN IN AMERICA

MADRAS, March 27.

"Mahatma Gandhi is the best known Indian in America. Wherever we went we are constantly asked about Mr. Gandhi, about his way of life, about his philosophy of non-violence and so on," said Rt. Rev Mgr. Thomas who returned to Madras on Saturday along with His Grace Dr. L. Mathias, Archbishop of Madras. He added that this interest about Mahatma Gandhi was noticeable not only among the upper classes of society, but also among workmen and that reports of Gandhiji's utterances were widely published.—A. P.

Prisoners

Break Jail Gates & Flee

AHMEDABAD, March 27.

Information has been received here that three prisoners in the Dabhoda Jail of Sabarkantha Agency broke open the jail gates and escaped, taking with them two guns.

One of them had staged a similar get away while undergoing an earlier term of imprisonment in Dehgam Jail in Horoda State.—A P.

New Pound And Half-Pound Notes

LONDON, March 27.

The Bank of England announce that in accordance with the arrangement made early in 1939, a new type of pound and ten shilling notes will be issued shortly. There will consequently be two types of these notes in circulation for a time, both of which will be legal tender. The new type of notes will be of the same size and design as the present type, but will be printed except for numbering on different colours.—Reuter.

JAIPRAKASH AWARDED 9 MONTHS' R. I.

CHAIBASSA, March 27.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, Socialist leader, who had been arrested on March 7 under the Defence of India Rules in connection with an anti-war speech at Jamshedpur, was sentenced to-day to nine months' rigorous imprisonment by the Deputy Commissioner. He has been placed in "B" class.—United Press.

TWO CONGRESSMEN ARRESTED UNDER DEFENCE ACT

JHANSI, March 26.

Mr. Ramsahai Sharma, treasurer of the District Congress Committee, was arrested under the provisions of the Defence of India Ordinance for making an anti-war speech. Mr. Ramdass Dubey, Secretary of Lalitpur Congress Committee, was also arrested for a similar offence and both are lodged in Jhansi Jail.

Mr. Naraindass, a Congress worker, who was arrested under the Defence of India Ordinance was convicted and sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment by Mr. A. P. Munro, Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Lalitpur.—A. P.

PUNJAB'S TOLL

LAHORE, March 27.

That 304 persons had been arrested in the Punjab under the Defence of India Act since its promulgation was revealed in the Punjab Legislative Assembly this afternoon by Syed Amjad Ali, Private Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, replying to a question by Sardar Sohan Singh Josh (Congress).

Syed Amjad Ali also informed Sardar Harisingh (Congress) that warnings had been given to some military pensioners in Hoshiarpur District against participating in subversive activities.—A.P.

FIVE SOCIALISTS IN REMAND

MADRAS, March 27.

Mr. Shanmugham, Secretary of the Tiruvannamalai Taluk Congress Socialist Committee, and four other Socialist workers were arrested last evening by the police and are now in remand, says a report from Tiruvannamalai.—A P.

Bengal's Record

CALCUTTA, March 27.

In the Bengal Legislative Assembly to-day, replying to a question, the Hon. Khwaja Sir Nazimuddin said that 535 persons had been arrested and the movements of 59 persons restricted hitherto under the Defence of India Rules.

The Home Minister further informed the House that 61 meetings and 11 processions had not been permitted or prohibited and orders had hitherto been issued under the same rules.—A. P.

MORE KHAKSAR ARRESTS

LAHORE, March 27.

Twenty-six Khaksars were arrested to-day on the Railway platform on their arrival here from Shaharanpur and other places in the United Provinces.

It is stated that on alighting from train this afternoon 21 Khaksars took out their uniforms and 'belchas' from their beddings and began parading on the platform. On receiving information Police officers and the Deputy Commissioner of Police came and seized their 'belchas' and disarmed them.

Five others were similarly arrested in the morning.—United Press.

Partition Plan Will Be 'Harakiri' For Muslims

Jinnah Challenged To Take Plebiscite In Minority Provinces: Call To Desist From Suicidal Policy

(From Our Correspondent)

PATNA, March 27.

"I, in fact, no sane Muslim, can accept any constitutional plan for India which might mean loss of Hyderabad—the Premier Muslim State in India—to Islam; but Mr. Jinnah's "two nations scheme" based on religious, cultural and racial grounds would logically lead to the loss of Hyderabad to Islam. Mr. Jinnah cannot have it both ways. If the Muslims in Bengal and the Punjab, with their 50 and 60 per cent majority in the population, demand the right of self-determination, then Hindus in Hyderabad, with 90 per cent majority in the population, can demand the same right with more justification." Thus said a Muslim Zamindar in the course of a long talk.

"Then how can the British Government violate its sacred pledge to the Kashmir Maharaja and allow his State to be incorporated in Muslim India? The whole Princely Order will oppose tooth and nail any scheme for the partion of India on a communal basis.

What about the Sikhs? It would be criminal folly to revive the Aurangzeb-Guru Govind Singh wars. Besides why only Muslim India and Hindu India? Why not Shia and Sunni and Momin India's? Why should not the same right of self-determination be granted to the Sikhs, Parsis, Harijans, Christians, Anglo-Indians etc?"

"We two crore Muslims of the Hindu majority provinces cannot accept Mr. Jinnah's scheme of dividing India. It would mean our ruin. In the Muslim majority provinces the Hindu minority is 40 per cent, while we in the Hindu majority provinces constitute only 12 per cent. No balance of power exists between the two set of provinces. Nothing less than mass 'Hijrat' can solve the Hindu-Moslem problem if viewed in Mr. Jinnah's ideology. But Mr. Jinnah dare not suggest it, because it would stab the Nawabs, Knights and Khan Bahadurs who to-day dominate the Muslim League. If the League is so fond of a separate autonomous Muslim State, I challenge the League High Command to prove their "bona fides" by declaring their readiness to migrate from Hindu majority provinces, but can they commit such mass 'Harakiri' by leaving their rich and large zamindaris?

I challenge Mr. Jinnah to take a plebiscite of Muslims in the Hindu Majority Provinces, for the minority problem concerns them alone, on his plan of partition of India. He will then find that not even 5 per cent of the Muslims in these provinces would support it.

I, at least, am not prepared to leave my Hindu tenants. We Muslims of Hindu majority provinces would beg of Mr. Jinnah to better spare us and not lead us to ruin by asking us to follow his suicidal policy. His "Deliverance Day" has already jeopardised our existence. We beg of him not to add more fuel to the communal flame."

Preposterous Demand

Partition Will Entail Perpetual Civil War, Says Iyengar

MADRAS, March 27.

"Both Mr. Jinnah's speech and the Muslim League's resolution demanding segregation of the parts of India as independent sovereign Muslim States are altogether tragic and incomprehensible. I can only hope that they are not seriously meant, but are a mere manoeuvring of the pricky position. Neither the interests of India in general nor the interests of the Muslims in particular from whatever point of view looked at, can at all justify this preposterous demand."

Thus said Mr. S. Srinivasa Iyengar, ex-President of the Congress, in an interview to the 'United Press'.

Mr. Iyengar added: "Whatever provocation there may have been from the Congress side and however much our tempers may be tried in these days there is a limit beyond which neither Muslims nor Hindus should go. It is clear that far from the proposition advancing the permanent interests of Indian Muslims it will be disastrous as much to them as to the Hindus. If the proposal is carried out it will entail perpetual civil war."—United Press.

Sumner Welles To Reach White House On March 28

WASHINGTON, March 27.

The White House announced that Mr. Sumner Welles is arriving in New York about noon tomorrow. He is expected to report to Mr. Roosevelt immediately.—Reuter.

Two-Ocean-Problem For America

NEW YORK, March 27.

Expressing the fear that the Congress will "cut the heart" from expropriations to modernise the Army, Mr. Hugh J. Johnson writes: "With the uncertainty of the war's outcome and final line-up of the Dictatorial Powers—Germany, Italy, Russia and Japan—the two-ocean-problem is a possibility; but a two-ocean navy is not possible within the time limit involved. There is thus a gap in our first line defence, but not necessarily a dangerous gap if we have a properly equipped modern Army, which the General Staff is now trying to create."

Mr. Walter Winchell, writing on the same subject, says: "In this crisis the United States carries a double responsibility. Besides having to protect ourselves with the smallest Army of all, we have told the world that we would fight to protect Canada and South America. Let no nation or combination of nations make a mistake about this."—Reuter.

IS THIS DISCIPLINE?

Correspondents believe in mass action but do not believe in the connection I see between it and the Charkha, etc., if the action is to be non-violent. They believe in my hold on the masses but they do not believe in the things which I believe have given me that hold. They merely want to exploit me and will grudgingly pay the price which my ignorance or obstinacy according to them demands. I do not call this discipline.—MAHATMA GANDHI.

(SEE PAGE 10)

STOP PRESS

BRITAIN & CHINESE PUPPET GOVERNMENT

LONDON, March 27.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns that although it is inevitable that some foreign business interests will, of necessity have to work in with the new Government in China under Wang-Ching-Wei, so far as the British authorities are concerned, it is understood their attitude will be one of complete non-recognition.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN SHIP DETAINED AT HONGKONG

LONDON:—It is learned that the Soviet steamer "Vladimir Mayakovsky" has been detained at Hongkong pending examination of her cargo by allied authorities. She is reported to be carrying a cargo of copper and molybdenum shipped in North America and consigned to Vladivostok.—Reuter.

PICKETING TELLS

Millowner Admits Decline In Attendance

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Plans for further intensification of the textile strike in Bombay from Thursday have been worked out by the Girni Kamgar Union. Mr. N. M. Joshi, who arrived in Bombay to-day will stay on in the city and personally supervise the strike.

Mr. R. M. Jambhekar, member of the Managing Committee of the G. K. Union, was arrested tonight while he was returning from the Northbrook Garden, after addressing a workers' rally. The arrest was effected under Section 26 of the Defence of India Act.

PICKETING TELLS

At a Press Conference held at the office of the Millowners' Association, a spokesman of the millowners admitted that the decline in the attendance at the mills by 3,000 workers was due to intensive picketing.

Except for minor incidents the twenty-fourth day of the strike passed off peacefully.

The total arrests for the day were 30.

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GERMAN STEEL MAGNATE FOR FRANCE

ZURICH, MARCH 27.

FRITZ THYSSEN, THE GERMAN STEEL MAGNATE, LEFT LOCARNO TO-DAY FOR FRANCE, BUT HIS EXACT DESTINATION IS UNKNOWN.—REUTER.

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J. D. DICK,
Shareholder.

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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for two posts of Assistant Plant Breeders, one for Cotton Breeding work and the other for Breeding in Paddy, in the grade of Rs. 100-5-125. Only graduates with experience in Plant Breeding need apply. The first is a five year Scheme financed by the Indian Central Cotton Committee and the other financed by the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research.

Prescribed application forms can be had from the Chitnis to the Commissioner of Agriculture, Baroda.

Applications should reach the undersigned on or before the 10th April 1940.

R. G. ALLAN,
Commissioner of Agriculture,
Baroda State.

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BOMBAY TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company held this day a Final Dividend of Rs. 2-8-0 per share equal to 5 per cent free of Income-tax for the year ending 31st December, 1939, was declared on all issued shares of the Company payable to shareholders appearing on the Register as on the 5th day of March, 1940 and that such dividend will be paid by warrant payable on or after the 29th day of March, 1940.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1940.

P. V. R. IYER,
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ROYAL INDIAN NAVY.

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PAY—Rs. 50-130 per mensem with free food, clothing and accommodation.

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Apply in writing, stating age, educational and technical qualifications and practical experience to:—

THE OFFICER-IN-CHARGE.
Mechanical Training Establishment,
R.I.N. Depot, Bombay.
Closing date: 12th April, 1940.
(2209)

ROYAL INDIAN NAVY

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for two posts of Instructors Machinists for the Mechanical Training Establishment of the Royal Indian Navy.

Candidates must have served an apprenticeship of at least 4 years in the machine departments of an Engineering firm of repute. They must be able to manipulate and give instruction on all types of lathes, milling, shaping and drilling machines and tool grinders, etc.

It is essential that candidates should be able to speak, read and write English, and read blue print drawings.

Applications from candidates who have no educational attainments will not be considered.

Pay Rs. 120-5-150 per mensem.

Apply in writing, stating age, experience, educational and technical qualifications, with copies of references etc. to:—

THE OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
Mechanical Training Establishment.
R.I.N. Depot,
Bombay.
Closing date: 12th April 1940.
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NOTICE

RE: THE BOMBAY SURYODAYA MILLS LTD.

THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Share holders of The Bombay Suryodaya Mills Ltd., was held at the Registered Office of the Company at Tardeo Road, Bombay No. 7 on FRIDAY, the 22nd day of March, 1940, at 5-30 P.M. (S.T.) when the following resolutions were passed unanimously by all the shareholders present:—

1. Resolved that the Company be wound up voluntarily and that Messrs. Tarachand Lalchand and Shantidas Khetsey be appointed Joint Liquidators without remuneration for the purpose of winding up of the Company.
2. Resolved that the Liquidators be authorised to carry out the agreement of the sale, dated 18th December, 1939, entered into by the Company with Messrs. Mithabhai Nathoo according to the terms and provisions contained therein and be and are hereby authorised to sign and execute the necessary documents in favour of the purchasers for completing the said sale. A copy of the agreement for sale is open for inspection to all the members and creditors of the Company at the above address.
3. Resolved that the said Liquidators are hereby authorised to wind up all the affairs of the Company and distribute the realised amount for payment of the amount and interest due to the Debenture Holders, the creditors and the Shareholders according to law.
4. Resolved that the Liquidators are hereby given all the powers as provided for under the Indian Companies Act to the Liquidators in voluntary winding up of the Company.

(Sd.) DIPCHAND B. SHAH,
Chairman
(2222).

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NOTICE.

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Dated this 28th day of March, 1940.

SOLOMON & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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SURPLUS BUDGET FOR AHMEDABAD MUNICIPALITY

More Funds Required For Extension Of Areas

AHMEDABAD, March 26.

A surplus of Rs. 6,40,652 is shown in the budget of the Ahmedabad Municipality for 1940-41. ordinary revenue being Rs. 57,60,252 and ordinary expenditure being Rs. 51,19,600.

Extension of the Municipal limits has adversely affected the finances of the Municipality. While the income has decreased by Rs. 2,00,000 the expenditure has increased by Rs. 1,75,000. Capital works to the extent of Rs. 5,00,000 have been therefore dropped. The building programme has been suspended except the construction of very urgent buildings such as buildings for the Municipal office, primary schools, etc. The Municipality has however submitted proposals to Government for the acquisition of land for the improvement of the city to the extent of about Rs. 50,00,000 and provided Rs. 1,20,000 for giving dearness allowance to the Municipal employees.—A. P.

The 19th annual general meeting of the Ex-Services Association, India, was held on Tuesday at the I.D.G. Club, New Delhi. The Commander-in-Chief who was to have presided was unable to do so and Lieut General Sir Roger Wilson, the Chairman of the Association, presided.

Sir Roger said that the present organisation had 18 branches and 23 local correspondents.

He referred to the decreasing tendency in the Poppy Day collections.

WORKERS' GRIEVANCE REDRESSED

B. N. Rly. Authorities To Restore Normal Working Of Factories

NAGPUR, March 27

The Bengal Nagpur Railway administration have announced restoration of normal working of their workshops from April 1, 1940 and thus one of the long standing grievances of the workers has been redressed says, Mr. V. R. Kalappa, President of the B.N.R. Indian Labour Union in a statement to the press.—A. P

Re. 1 Seats Still Available For Red Cross Pageant

BOMBAY, March 26.

Despite the enormous demand, there are still one-rupee seats left in the Brabourne Stadium for the second and third days of the Red Cross pageant—on March 31 and April 1.

Tickets may be obtained from the Stadium office in Churchgate Street.

Two-rupees seats in the Gymkhana stands for all three days may also be obtained at the Stadium office or direct from the Gymkhanas.

Rajkot Protest Against Vajubhai's Conviction

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, March 26.

A resolution was passed at a public meeting held here to-day, with Mr. Bechar in the chair against the conviction of Mr. Vajubhai under the Defence of India Act.

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ON THE AIR

THURSDAY, MARCH 28.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Keep fit! 8-10 Delhi Radio Orchestra. 8-15 News in Marathi. 8-20 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Jafar Qawwal. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 A topical talk. 9-15 Dashrathbuwa Muley. 9-45 The Bombay Radio Orchestra. 9-55 Meerabai-ka-Bhajan. 12-30 p.m. Melodious melodies. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Three greets. 1-10 Mutual understanding. 1-25 What shall I cook to-day? 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 5 You asked for it. 5-10 Selected by S. Mukerjee. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Selected by Chunilal V. Zaveri. 5-50 Selected by S. B. Velkar. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Tarabai Molhaliker. 6-25 Laxman R. Vaze. 6-35 Vasanti. 7 A trade review. 7-15 Listeners' Letters. 7-30 T. Shevalkar. 7-35 Shyamala Mazgaonkar. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 To-morrow. 8-30 Can you catch me out? b. 8-45 Leela Limaye. 8-55 Talk of the town. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 The Orchestra of H. E. the Governor. 10 Maneck Bamboat. 10-10 The Orchestra of H. E. the Governor. 10-30 News in English.

Bombay II—Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

8 to 8-15 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-15 Hamid Hussain. 8-25 to 8-40 As in Bombay 1. 8-40 Shyamala Mazgaonkar. 9 to 10 As in Bombay 1. 10 Close down.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 12-57 Rajen Sarkar. 1 to 1-30 As in Bombay 1. 1-30 Musical interlude. 1-35 to 2-30 As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

5 to 5-25 As in Bombay 1. 5-25 Gujarati garbas. 5-35 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Bhajans. 6-10 Jafar Qawwal. 6-25 M. U. Khan. 6-35 to 7-30 As in Bombay 1. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Ebrahim. 7-55 Jafar Qawwal. 8-5 Sarinda Solo. 8-10 Leela Limaye. 8-25 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Dashrathbuwa Muley. 9-30 Trade by sea. 10 Vasanti. 10-30 News in English.

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Dacca—Programme

257.1 metres (1,167 kc/s)

5 p.m. Flute Solo. 5-10 Hrishikesh Das Gupta. 5-25 Jyotish Chandra Chowdhury. 5-50 Lily Ghose. 6-5 Gramer Pathe. 7 Bijan Bala Ghose Dastidar. 7-30 Suren Das. 7-45 Readings. 8 Roma Nag. 8-15 Suren Das. 8-30 Roma Nag. 9 Announcements in Bengali. 9-5 Bijanbala Ghose Dastidar. 9-45 Devotion on Discs. 10 Rater Andhakare. 10-15 Jyotish Chandra Chowdhury.

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time)

5 p.m. For the countryside. 5-50 Angurbala. 6-5Suraj Prosad Srivastava. 6-25 Angurbala. 6-45 Pratap Brahmachari. 7 The undying past. 6. 7-15 Jatadhar Pyne. 7-35 Radharani. 8 Something unexpected. 8-15 Benny Goodman and His Orchestra. 9 Judy Amadio. 9-15 Announcements in English. 9-55 The aerial players.

Calcutta II—Programme

61.98 metres (4,840 kc/s)

5 to 10-30 As in Calcutta 1.

Lucknow Programme

293.5 metres (1,022 kc/s)

5-30 Mohammad Husain. 5-57 Purbi geet and Ghazal. 6-10 Rajeshwaribai. 6-30 Hamara Panchayetghar. 7 Kumari Malati Sane. 7-15 Hori and Chaiti. 7-30 Espionage. 7-45 Thumris. 8 Kaise Pite. 4. 8-20 Kumari Malati Sane. 8-30 Conflicts of civilization. 4. 8-45 Kya Rya Hona Hai? 9-45 Recorded music. 9-50 Bazm-i-Tarab.

Madras—I Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)

4 p.m. Shrimati C. S. Rajam. 4-30 European music 5 The Sarathi films orchestra. 6-20 P. Narayanasami Pillai. 6-5 Shrimati Kolar Rajamma. 6-30 The Sarathi film orchestra. 7 Week by week. 7-15 Air Violinist. 7-50 Queen Victoria's own Madras Sappers and Miners. 9-15 Interlude. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10-30 News in English.

Madras II—Programme

60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)

4 to 6-5 p.m. As in Madras 1. 6-5 For rural areas. 6-30 to 9-30 As in Madras 1. 9-30 S. M. Ramaswami Iyengar.

Trichy Programme

396 metres (758 kc/s)

5 p.m. Instrumental overture. 5-20 Palladam Nagarajarao. 6-5 For the villages. 6-30 Shrimati G. Chennamma. 7 Engal Tapal Petti. 7-15 Learn to sing. 7-30 Announcements. 9-45 Shrimati G. Chennamma.

Java Programme

(20, 25, 27, 29 and 31 m.)

3 p.m. Tea concert. 4 The Eagles nest. 4-30 Swing music. 5-40 Primo Scala"s Accordeon Band. 6 Alfredo Campoli and orchestra. 6-30 Song by Jopie Dommers and L Morein. 7Nirem orchestra. 8 Piano duets. 8-15 Dance music.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. A Vichitra Veena recital. 5-15 Duets. 5-30 Kafi on the Clarionet. 5-35 Afzal Husain. 5-50 The Columbia Vocal Gem Coy. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Ramzan Khan. 6-30 How they cure us, 5. 6-45 Usman Khan. 7 For villagers only. 8 Sidelights on the war. 8-5 G. A. Khan Gwaliari. 8-15 Manoeuvres and manners in my profession. 8-30 Umrao Zia Begam. 8-45 A classical duet. 10 Vichitra Veena recital. 10-15 Umrao Zia Begam. 10-35 Persian music. 10-55 Persian music. 11-3 Persian music.

Delhi II—Programme

50.48 metres (4,960 kc/s)

5 to 7 As in Delhi 1. 7 Musical Miscellany. 8 to 10-30 As in Delhi 1.

31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s)

8-50 to 7 As in Delhi 2. 8-25 Indian music. 9 to 10-30 As in Delhi 1.

Lahore Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s)

6-10 p.m. Choral song. 6-15 Prithvi Raj Sol. 6-25 Santu Khan Qawwal and party. 6-45 For the countryside. 7-15 Children's programme. 8 Anwarbai. 8-15 A discussion. 8-35 Abdul Waheed Khan Chishti Sabiri. 8-50 Prithvi Raj Sol. 9-50 Santu Khan Qawwal an dparty. 10-10 Khursheedbai Hujruwall.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9-40	20-10
Madras Mail	6-00	22-10
Peshawar-Lucknow (Express)	6-15	22-30
Calcutta Mail	9-10	17-40
Madras Express	10-15	14-25
Poona Mail	10-30	17-30
Punjab Mail	12-35	17-20
Nagpur Express	15-00	20-55
Poona Fast Passenger	16-50	11-50
Poona Express	19-32	8-05
Allahabad Express	21-00	6-15

B. B. and C. I. Railway

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5-35	13-50
Delhi Express	6-00	22-15
Kathiawar Mail	6-45	21-30
Gujarat Mail	7-25	22-00
Frontier Mail	8-15	21-15
	(Mon.)	(Sat.)
The Flying Ranee, Surat	*9-48	15-10
		(Sun.)
The Flying Ranee Surat		15-10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10-58	
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday and Sunday)		18-05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14-15	22-30
Kathiawar Express	18-45	8-45
Baroda Passenger	20-37	9-25

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday this train will run on Tuesday.

Arrivals at Ballard Pier

Frontier Mail (on Saturday only) for London	8-40

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, March 26

UPPERS:—	
Spot	10.33—6
March	10.06—6
May	10.10—3
July	10.18—3
October	9.99—3
December	9.99—3
January	9.97—3
GIZA NO. 2:—	
Spot	10.48—6
March	10.13—6
May	10.26—3
July	10.40—5
October	10.50—6
November	10.54—6
January	10.59—6

Sharp Decline In Sterling Depresses N. Y. Cotton

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC SELLING

Fears Of Shortage Of Tenderable Cotton In Liverpool Market

Bombay, March 27

On Tuesday cotton prices on the New York Exchange registered a sharp decline. The market was lower induced by the sharp decline in sterling to 3.54 7/8 and the weakness of Bombay cotton market with demand limited to trade buying on the scale down.

The Chicago grains also declined with moderating weather in the West and Southwest, the business of Buenos Aires and the mid-week forecast for warmer weather and rain and snow in Winter and Spring Wheat Belts counteracting high winds and duststorms in Kansas and Oklahoma.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton futures market opened steady. Foreign and domestic liquidation met trade and local buying.

Prices sagged further on Bombay and New Orleans selling and ttale long liquidation. Finally active Spot House and New Orleans selling of nears appeared with the session closing barely steady.

At the opening May was quoted 4 points down at 10.50 but with scattered buying prices improved 2 points from the opening level and May was quoted 10.52 which was the highest level reached at noon. Later on there was active selling and prices declined 12 points from the highest level and May was quoted 10.40 which was the lowest level. The market finally closed at a net decline of 14 to 21 points: Spot cotton prices were reduced 14 points at 10.65c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also easy on increased selling and closed at a decline of 14 to 21 points. Spot cotton prices also suffered a drop of 14 points at 10.21c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 4 points with May 7.41. The market opened lower in sympathy with easiness of overseas advices. Prices firmed up on local support on the assumption that curtailment of British purchases of American cotton will eventually cause shortage of tenderable cotton. Later prices eased on hedging and the demand was poor with distant positions weak The market closed at a net decline of 2 to 11 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices closed 3 points down at 7.52d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton market was quiet with scattered selling and Uppers futures closed 5 to 3 points down with Spot cotton 6 points lower at 10.33d. per lb. Giza futures also lost 3 to 6 points.

The Alexandria cotton market was easy with increased selling pressure. Sakels futures closed 19 points down and Ashmouni contracts were marked down 24 points.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York May highest (11-47 a.m.)	10.52—02
New York May lowest (2-58 p.m.)	10.40—14
Liverpool May highest	7.51+06
Liverpool May lowest	7.39—06

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

Liverpool: Strength nears caused by likelihood curtailment import cotton from U. S. A. This and weakness Sterling New York caused early advance. Declined later on hedge selling and absence of offtake. Think higher ultimately.

Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cable from New York Cotton Exchange Service:—

World consumption American from August to January 6507 against 5587 last season. Increase largely here, but moderate increases other major divisions except Orient, where Japan lower. Unfinished sales light. Business slightly lower.

NEW YORK COTTON

(New Contracts)

New York, March 26

May	10.53—14
July	10.32—13
October	9.70—21
December	9.59—19
March	9.41—19

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 26

May	10.40—14
July	10.19—14
October	9.70—21
December	9.59—19
Middling Spot	10.65—14

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, March 26

May	10.51—14
July	10.30—14
October	9.74—21
Middling Spot	10.21—14

NEW YORK

New York, March 26

	11 a.m. rates	Noon call
May	10.50	10.50
July	10.29	10.30

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, March 26

	Bales.
Day's receipts at all U S Ports	18,000
Day's export to Great Britain	nil.
Day's export to the Continent	9,000
Day's exports to China and Japan	5,000

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, March 26

March	7.36—02
April	7.38—04
May	7.42—03
June	7.44—05
July	7.46—05
August	7.39—06
September	7.31—08
October	7.24—08
November	7.18—10
Decembes	7.16—10
January	7.13—11
February	7.10—11
March	7.08—11
Middling Spot	7.52—03

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, March 27

Yesterday London gold price remained unchanged at £8-8-0.

London Paris Exchange rate was also unchanged at 176 1/2 to 176 3/4. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London but it dropped to 3.54 7/8 at New York. This weakness in sterling is now engaging attention of world markets and it remains to be seen whether British Control intervens. Anyway this wide disparity in cross rates cannot be allowed any longer and interesting developments are bound to follow.

London Spot silver prices declined 5/8d. at 20 1/16d and Spot quotation was reduced 9/16d. at 20 1/8d. Speculators sold and there was little Indian support at lower levels. Later on the market was steady with small buyers at 1/16 over fixed rates. New York Spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents per ounce and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 4d.

London Bombay Spot silver parity was Rs. 53-14-6 and forward parity was Rs. 54-0-9. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 27-8-6.

The local market was unsettled and silver ruled quiet in sympathy with decline in London prices Gold was fairly firm with active demand.

Quotations were as under:—

GOLD

Ready	Rs. 42 10 0
Fagan	42 10 0
Chaitra	42 12 6

SILVER

Ready	57 6 0
Fagan	57 6 0
Chaitra	57 9 0

LONDON SILVER

London, March 26

Spot	20 1/16
Forward	20 1/8

LONDON GOLD

London, March 26

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£8-8-0

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, March 27

Fine White Java sugar per cwt:—

Ready (small grain) Rs. 18-2-6

Ready (large grain) Rs. 18-5-0

Shipment February Rs. 8-2-0 F B H

Shipment March Rs. 8-3-0 F B H

Shipment September Rs. 8-2-0 F B H

Indian sugars ready:—

Ready (ordinary) Rs. 17-5-0 to 17-14-0

Ready (large grain) Rs. 17-14-0 to 18-5-0

Tone:—Steady.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, March 26

T T London on:—	
New York	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
Paris	176 1/2 to 176 3/4
Madrid	38.70
Montreal	4.43/4.47
Amsterdam	7.53/7.58
Brussels	23.56/23.70
Milan	72.50
Berne	17.85/17.95
Copenhagen	18.68
Stockholm	16.85/16.95
Oslo	17.65/17.75

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 26

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£69 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	£82 1/2
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£95 1/8
Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	£112 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£72 3/8
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£97 5/8
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£99 5/8
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90 ex dvidend	£109 7/8
Victory bonds	£108 3/4
Chartered Bank of I A and China ex dividend	£9 1/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg.	£93 1/2
National Bank of India	£30

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, March 27

The local market was mainly influenced to-day by the weakness in sterling and there was fairly large short covering. In sympathy with a decline of 14 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened to-day at Rs 256 for Broach J/A delivery and declined to Rs. 253/4 on scattered long liquidation later on there was active buying and prices firmed up to Rs. 258 with scarcity of sellers. With the sharp decline in sterling to 3.54 7/8, local operators believe it risky to remain short.

Later on there was continued buying and Broach J/A advanced to Rs. 260/12. Liverpool market opened unchanged and with increased offerings prices declined to Rs. 258/4. Later Liverpool was reported 4 points up and Broach J/A was quoted at Rs. 259/8. The market finally closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F G M G Broach:—	
April/May	Rs. 247 8 0
July/August	258 12 0
Fine M G Oomras:—	
May	226 8 0
July	231 8 0
F G M G Bengal:—	
May	191 8 0
July	193 4 0

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

Alexandria, March 26

SAKELS-	
May	19.13—19
July	19.43—19
ASHMOUNI:—	
April	17.71—24
June	18.00—24
GIZA:—	
May	18.32—24
July	18.73—24

AMERICAN WEEKLY COTTON STATISTICS

New York: March 25.

	This week.	Season to-date.	Corresponding Week 1938-9.	Season 1939.
Total in sight (excluding Linters)	12,126	160	8,283	96
Forwarded to American mills, including Canada and other American	6,209	123	4,795	125
excluding Linters				
Exports from U. S. Ports	3,307	73	2,898	97
Of which to Japan	725	14	736	33
Of which to China	359	12	64	7
Of which to Great Britain	1,677	5	402	15
Of which to Germany	30	—	385	12
Stock at U.S. Ports	—	2,926	—	2,340
Stock at U. S. Interior towns	—	2,661	—	2,983
World's visible supply	—	—	—	8,776
Of which American cotton	—	—	—	6,389
Forwarded to world's mills (excluding Linters)	—	—	7,569	209
Receipt at U. S. Ports	6,825	100	3,574	26

N. B.—All in bales thousands omitted. Certificated stocks are estimated at 29,000

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, March 26

3 per cent	82 1/2
3 1/2 per cent	95 1/8
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	103
4 per cent 1948/53	108
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	112 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	115
5 per cent 1942/47	107 1/4
3 per cent 1949/52	99
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	72 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loans	98 6/8
4 per cent Funding loan 1960/90 XD	109 7/8
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordinary	61/9

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, March 27.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52	97-6
3 per cent 1941 Bonds	101/10
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds	98-7
3 1/2 per cent G. P. Notes	94-8
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan	104
5 per cent 1950/70 Loan	108-6
4 per cent 1943 Bonds	105/14
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan	114/6
5 per cent 1940/43 Bond	101/10
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan	93-12

TAX-FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan	111-15
4 per cent 1953/65 Mysore	110-8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore	120-8

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B. P. T.	1947 105/12
4 per cent M. Deb.	1947 104/14
5 per cent M. Deb.	1959 114/12
6 per cent M. Deb.	1954 121/12
6 per cent K P T	1956 120/12

Tone:—Steady to firm.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, March 27

B. C. RATES —

T T D D 1/5 15/16 to 27th September

LONDON:—

Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 to 27th September

Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 27th Sept.

Bank's buying D D 1/6 3/32 one month

Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 One month.

Bank's buying 6 months 1/6 1/4 Two months.

NEW YORK:—

Bank's selling T T 333

Bank's buying T T 329

Bank's buying D D 328

PARIS:—

Bank's selling T T 1300

Bank's buying T T 1340

JAPAN:—

Bank's selling T T 89 1/8

Bank's buying T T 88 1/8

Bank's selling 60 days 87 1/8

AMSTERDAM:—

Bank's selling D D 55 1/8

JAVA:—

Bank's selling D D 54 5/8

HONGKONG:—

Bank's selling D D 83 5/8

SHANGHAI:—

Bank's selling D D 24 3/4

SINGAPORE:—

Bank's selling D D 157 3/4

CROSS RATE:—

Hongkong London 1/2 29/32 27th inst.

Shanghai London 0/4 1/4 27th inst.

Java London 7.47/55 27th inst.

New York London 3.53.50 26th inst.

London New York 4.02 1/2—3 1/2 26th inst.

London Paris 176 1/2—3/4 26th inst.

London Italy 72.50 26th inst.

London Belgium 23.55/70 26th inst.

London Switzerland 17.85/95 26th inst.

London Stockholm 16.85/95 26th inst.

London Amsterdam 7.53/58 26th inst.

London Japan 1/3 31/32 26th inst.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady.

Gold £8-8-0 26th inst.

Silver London Ready 20 1/16 26th inst.

Silver London Forward 20 1/8 26th inst.

Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 26th inst.

London discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per

London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent 26th inst.

London discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 26th inst.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent

Money:—Call 1 1/4 per cent.

3 months 2 per cent.

6 months 1 3/4 per cent.

Tone:—Steady.

COTTON PARITY

Difference Broach A/M below Liverpool May 181 penny points	
Difference Broach J/A below Liverpool July 160 penny points	
Difference Broach A/M below New York May 104 cent points	
Difference Broach J/A below New York July 40 cent points	

Quotation Of Local Mills Cloth

The Hindustani Native Merchants' Association has issued the following quotations of local mills cloth:—

HEAVY SHEETING

	Per lb. Rs.aa.ps.
Textile	0 8 6
Bradbury	0 7 3
E. D. S. Group	0 7 6
Sassoon	0 7 6
Century	0 7 6
Toyo Podar	0 8 0
Simplex	0 8 0
Madhusudan	0 8 0

LONG CLOTH (full weight In. 36-38) 92 1/2—93 1/2

	Per lb.
Mahal Brand	0 10 3
Madari Brand	0 10 6
Daud Saheb	0 10 0

LONG CLOTH X QUALITY

	Per.lb.
Apollo	0 10 9
Edsu	0 10 6
Century	0 11 6
Jam	0 11 6
Textile	0 11 0
Spring	0 10 7½
Madhusudan	0 10 6

LONG CLOTH SATIN CALENDER 34-42 In.

	Per lb.
Textile (Hand)	0 10 3
Spring (Merchant)	0 10 9
Century (Bugal)	0 10 3
Pehlad Siwala	0 10 3
Madhusudan	0 10 3
Jubilee	0 9 9

HIGH CLASS LONG CLOTH (Edsu Mill)

	Per Piece
8851-351	7 1 0
9521-656	6 9 0
1220-181	6 6 0
542-352	7 7 0
4141-657	7 1 0
1400-191	6 12 0
848-353	7 13 0
81810-658	7 7 0

LONG CLOTH VEGETABLE

	Per lb.
Apollo	0 10 0
Edsu	0 9 9
Century	0 10 0
Madhusudan	0 10 0
Moon	0 10 0

SALITA

1215 Madhusudan	0 10 6
1215 Sassoon	0 10 6
AAA Billi	9 8 0
6200 Moon	10 0 0

DHOTIES 7—8—9 YARDS

	Per lb.
Spring Mill (Balance)	0 11 6
Crown	0 11 6
Barsi	0 11 0

DHOTIES 10 YARDS

	Per lb.
Spring Mill (Balance)	0 11 6
Barsi	0 11 3
Crown 4310	0 11 6

GIN COLOURED

	Per piece
B 1515 Ratlial	9 8 0
1415 Ratlial	9 0 0
799 and 4141 Spring	10 4 6
979 Kohinoor.	9 4 0
1579 Century, M.B.W. Century	10 0 0

DHOTI MAHIN 44 x 10

	Per lb.
115 Victoria	1 5 0
	0 12 6
2142 Western	

LEPAD BIG SIZE

	Per lb.
Crown	0 10 6
Hindustan	0 10 6
Apollo	0 10 1½
Edsu	0 9 9
Spring	0 10 3

Active Buying In Share Bazar

SHARP RISE IN STEEL AND TEXTILE ISSUES

Short Covering And Absence Of Selling

Bombay, March 27

With improvement in raw cotton prices, the local share bazar was fairly active with improved buying which resulted in a steady rise in Tata Steel shares.

It being the end of the month, shorts were more inclined to cover sales and the market displayed good undertone. There is no change in the strike situation but the general belief is gaining ground that it will end soon.

However the action of the market was not any way impressive beyond routine trading. Outside business continues on a restricted scale.

The Wall Street market was quiet. A few specialities attracted followings on the market but with many pivotals wavernig, fractional setbacks predominated and the session closed easy. The break in free sterling and the sympathetic decline in the French Franc tended to chill sentiment but many believe that the technical position of the stock market favours a rally. U. S. Steel shares closed 5/8 down at 54 3/8. Anaconda Copper Mining shares declined 1/4 at 27 3/4 and General Motors closed 1/8 down at 53 1/2 dollars.

The market was very steady throughout the day and closed at about the highest level of the day. The market sentiment still continues hesitant.

Bombay Dyeing shares opened to-day at Rs. 957 and advanced to Rs. 985. Century Mill shares opened at Rs. 284 and closed at Rs. 295. Kohinoors improved to Rs. 366 and Simplex Cotton Mill shares rose to Rs. 111. Associated Cement shares firmed up to Rs. 123/8.

Tata Steel Defds. opened at Rs. 2022 and straight way rose to Rs. 2100. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 384 and advanced to Rs. 393. Bellapurs improved to Rs. 217/8 and Bombay Burmas looked up to Rs. 633/12.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay, March 27

Bombay Dyeing (956/4)	957 965 975 982 985
Century (283)	284 289 291 293 295
Central India (284/8)	286 287 292 293
Kohinoor (358/8)	359 367 366
New Great (347)	348 355
Simplex (106)	107/8 106/8 110 111
Swadeshi (255)	255 260 263
Associated Cement (120/8)	120/8 122 123/8
Andhra (1510)	1510
Tram Ord (131/8)	131/12
Tata Hydro (159)	159/8
Tata Power (1365)	1365 1362 1370 1372
T Steel Defd (2022/8)	2022 2035 2030 2057 2055 2080 2100 (2082)
T Steel Ord (382/8)	384 385 384 390 389 393 (390)
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (143/4)	143/4 143/8
Bellapur (215)	215 217 218 217/8
B Steam (291)	289
B Burma (620)	620 622 621 630 635 633/12

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, March 27

100	Ahmedabad Advance	305 0
250	BOMBAY DYEING	985 0
100	CENTURY	295 0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	293 0
100	COLABA	157 0
100	Coorla	20 0
250	David	40 0
250	Dawn	390 0
1	E. D. Sassoon Def.	0 7 3
100	FINLAY	165 8
100	GOKAK	196 8
1000	Hindustan	1880 0
100	Indore	39 4
100	Khatau	113 2
100	KOHINOOR	366 0
250	Laxmi	525 0
250	Madras United	25 0
100	MORARJI	193 0
250	Model	70 8
50	MYSORE	107 0
200	NEW GREAT	356 0
100	Oosmanshahi	55 0
100	Phoenix	280 0
25	SASSOON SILK	78 0
1000	Sholapur	8500 0
50	SIMPLEX	111 0
100	SWADESHI	263 0
100	SWAN	155 0
500	Vishnu	1300 0
1000	Western	900 0

BANKS

50-100	Baroda	99 12
25-50	Central	37 2
500	Imperial	1522 8
125-500	Imp. Conty.	370 0
50-100	India	137 8
100	Reserve Bank	108 4
5	Union	5-12-6

CEMENTS

100	ASSOCIATED	123 8

INSURANCE

100	Empire	640 0
15-100	Jupiter	10 6
20	Mercantile	49 0
15-75	New India	38 6
200	Oriental	4350 0
10-50	Vulcan	7 3

ELECTRIC

100	Ahmed. Old	151 14
1000	ANDHRA VALLY	1510 0
10	Ajmer	10 9
50	BOMBAY TRAM	131 12
100	Bombay Suburban	163 2
10	Broach	11 2
100	Karachi	190 0
100	Poona	185 0
100	Surat	162 8
100	TATA HYDRO	159 0
1000	TATA POWERS	1372 8

RAILWAYS

500	Ahmedabad Prantij	955 0
100	C. Province	99 0
100	Gh. Baramati	95 0
100	Gujarat	95 0
100	Mandra Bhon	94 0
100	Pachora Jamner	72 0
100	Sara Serajganj	98 4
500	Tapti Valley XD	737 8

MININGS

9	Burma Corporation	6 7
2sh.	Indian Copper	2 4
10	Indian Iron and Steel	36 0
10	SHIVRAJPUR	39 12
30	TATA STEEL DEF.	2100 0
75	TATA STEEL ORD.	393 0

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	490 0
10	Air Services	5 4
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	217 8
200	Bombay Safe Dep.	621 4
250	BOMBAY STEAM	289 0
125	B. BURMA	633 12
50	B. BURMA CONT.	200 10
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	4 10 9
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	91 8
100	IND BLEACHING	112 0
50	Ind. Invest Trust	47 0
100	Ind. Radio Def.	457 0
100	Indian Radio Ord.	465 0
100	Port Canning	75 4
30	PREMIER CON.	85 8
15	Scindia	18 12
25	Tata Oil Mill	49 8
100	Western I. Match	137 8

PREFERENCE

7	p.c. Andhra Valley	1400 0
6	p.c. Co.	99 4
7	p.c. Bombay Tram (T.F.)	75 4
5	p.c. Central India (T.F.)	567 8
6	1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 1st XD	100 4
6	1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. XD	104 0
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	147 8
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Power	1508 12
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st Pref.	205 0
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	143 8
7	p.c. Vishnu	680 0

DEBENTURES

3	3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	100 0
6	p.c. Andhra Valley	103 10
4	p.c. Bombay Telephone	50 4
7	p.c. Sholapur	75 0
6	p.c. Tata Hydro	103 8

(Capital letters indicate shares on forward list.)

London Rubber Market

LONDON: Feb. 21.

Messrs. Symington and Wilson have issued the following report:—

The advance in nearby positions has continued this week and the highest point was reached on Monday when Ribbed Smoked Sheet on the Sp

WAR ALLOWANCE FOR BRITISHERS

Indian Army And Air Force Orders

NEW DELHI March 26

British Service officers and British soldiers on the Indian establishment who, on account of being employed on war service, are unable to meet their financial obligations out of their pay and normal allowances without hardship, are eligible to claim a special allowance, applications for which the War Service Grants Advisory Committee is empowered to deal with, says an Indian Army order.

King's Commissioned officers of the Indian Army, departmental officers and British soldiers of the India unattacked list, are also eligible to claim under similar conditions, the special allowance up to Rs. 185 a month. Their applications should be submitted to Army Headquarters.

The order adds that with effect from July 27, 1939, marriage allowance in respect of children of British soldiers serving on the Indian establishment including those personnel of the India unattacked list, shall continue to be admissible, regardless of age, for long as they continue to receive full time instruction at a school or other educational establishment

Air Force instructions contain similar announcements regarding special allowances for Royal Air Force officers and British airmen on the Indian establishment, and marriage allowances in respect of children of British airmen serving on the Indian establishment.—A. P.

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

KARACHI: March 27.

To-day's closing quotations:—

Sind Cotton May 23/10/9; Punjab May 19/15, F F F F May 28/3/6. Quiet.

Wheat March 27/10/9; July 28/8/9.

Gram July 27/15/9. Dull.

Toria March 39/12; May 40/11; July 41/8.

Cottonseed March 21/6; May 21/13; July 22/5/9.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS: March 27.

The local market was fairly steady with good enquiry in Government securities. A fair turnover took place in Textiles and Plantings. Miscellaneous were practically neglected.

Transactions reported are:—Palai Central Bank 16/8 c d; Sitaram 42; Rajalakshmi 61 ex-d; Vasantas 95 ex-div; Chembras 3/2, 3/3; Cochin Malabars 6; Cash 5/2; May 6/2; Pref 55 s l; Kalpettas 16/12; Kalasa Debenture 102; Vellamalai Tea 10, 10/4; Trichy Srirangam 159; Spencer 'A' 7/12 s l; Spencer 'B' 7/4.

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, March 26

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars
Elec Pow and Lt 7 per cent Pfd	28
Elec Bond and Share Common	6
Elec Bond and Share dol 5 Pfd	59 3/8
Amr Tel and Tel	171 1/2
Western Union Telegraph	21 7/8
New York Central R R	15
Great Northern Pfd	23 1/2
Amrex Corporation	15 7/8
Union Carbon and Carbide	81 7/8
Texas Corporation	45 3/8
Socony	11 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 3/8
United States Steel	54 3/8
Bethlehem Steel	73 3/4
Crucible Steel	36 1/2
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	21
Republic Steel	19 1/2
U. S. Smelting	60 1/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	27 3/4
Int Nickel of Canada	32 3/4
Chrysler Motors	84 7/8
General Motors	53 1/2
Firestone Rubber	19 1/8
Chase National Bank	33 3/4
National City Bank of New York	28 3/4

Turnover 620,000 shares. Technical position better.

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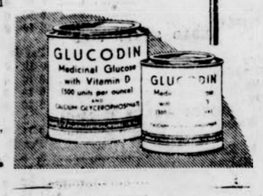

BENGAL CHEMICAL PRODUCT

Agents: ORIENT DRUG AGENCY, Princess St., Bombay 2.

Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON EIGHT POINTS UP

Silver Recovers On Speculative Support

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE SLIGHTLY EASIER

BOMBAY: MARCH 27.

NEW YORK COTTON DISPLAYED IMPROVED SENTIMENT FOLLOWING ENCOURAGING OVERSEAS CABLES, WHICH INDUCED FAIRLY GOOD TRADE AND LOCAL BUYING.

MOVEMENTS IN THE LOCAL MARKET DURING NIGHT SESSION WERE NARROW. PRICES MOVED WITHIN A SMALL RANGE.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE WAS SLIGHTLY EASIER. GILT-EDGED SECURITIES CAME UNDER SMALL PRESSURE.

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MAY 1940

New York: March 27.

Previous closing	10.40
To-day's opening	10.41
Difference	+1
To-day's closing	10.48
Difference	+8

BROACH EXPECTATION

Broach April/May	Rs. 247/0
Broach July/August	Rs. 258/8

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MAY 1940

Liverpool: March 27.

Previous closing	7.42
To-day's opening	7.42
Difference	Nil.
To-day's closing	7.58
Difference	+16

N. Y COTTON MARKET

New York: March 27.

The trading in May began at 10.41, i. e one point higher than the last closing. Prices advanced on higher Liverpool and Bombay cables while increased local and outside buying caused further rise with May advancing to 10.47.

BOMBAY COTTON Night Session.

Bombay: March 27.

Locally Broach July/August opened at Rs. 258/8, declined to Rs. 257/4 and later improved to Rs. 259. Closing rates for July/August and April/May were Rs. 258/8 and Rs. 247 respectively.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: March 27.

Following were the opening ranges on New York Cotton Exchange:—

May (10.50/50) 10.41/41

July (10.31/30) 10.20/19

Liverpool Cotton

Liverpool: March 27.

American March (7.42) 7.44

American May (7.48) 7.50

Giza March (10.18) 10.16

Giza May (10.31) 10.27

LONDON COMMODITIES

London: March 27.

SEEDS.

Castorseeds March April (£20 quoted) £20 quoted

Linseed Bombay/Calcutta March April (£18 1/8 quoted) £18 1/8 quoted

Linseed La Plata March April (£16 quoted) £16 quoted

Groundnuts Coromandal March April (£15 3/8 quoted) £15 3/8 quoted

JUTES.

Dundee March (£49) £49

Lightning March (£45) £45

RUBBER.

Spot (11 5/16d paid and value) 11 1/4d paid and value

Forward May (11 3/8d paid and value) 11 5/16d paid and sellers

METALS

Tin (£247 1/4 buyers: £247 1/2 sellers. Easy) £245 1/2 buyers; £246 sellers. Easy.

Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62

Lead Foreign Cash (£25) £25

Glasgow Iron No. 6 (111 sh.) 111 sh.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York: March 27.

Previous closing	3.54 7/8
To-day's opening	3.54 7/8

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London: March 27.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

Previous closing	1.76 1/2 to 1.76 3/4
To-day's opening	1.76 1/2 to 1.76 3/4
To-day's closing	1.76 1/2 to 1.76 3/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York: March 27.

The following are the opening quotations:—

General Motors (dol 53 5/8) dol 53 7/8

Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 28) dol 28 1/8

U S Steel Common (dol 54 7/8) dol 55

U S Steel Preference (dol 117 3/4) dol 118 1/2

LONDON SILVER CABLE

London: March 27.

The following cable regarding London Silver Market was received here to day:—

India bought. Bear covering. Business moderate. Market steady.

LONDON SILVER

London: March 27.

Spot (20 1/16d) 20 1/4d +3/16

Forward (20 1/8d) 20 5/16d +3/16

LONDON GOLD

London: March 27.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON EXCHANGES

London: March 27.

London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50 which is officially fixed rate

France was officially fixed at 175.50 to 176.75

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1.6) 1.6

Paris on Bombay (13.24 5/8) 13.24 5/8

New York on Bombay (30.30) 30.25

London on Milan (72.60) 77.00

London on Shanghai (0-4 to 0-4 1/4) 0-4 to 0-4 1/4

London on Kobe (1-3 1/4 to 1-3 11/32) 1-3 7/8 to 1-3 31/32

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent

4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent

6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent

WHEAT AND SEEDS Latest Night Quotations

Bombay: March 27.

Wheat May	3 15 0
Wheat September	4 1 3
Linseed May	7 1 0
Linseed September	7 7 0
Groundnuts May	38 10 6
Castorseeds May	48 12 0
Cottonseeds May	25 10 6

BOMBAY BULLION Latest Night Quotations.

Bombay: March 27.

Silver Ready	57 4 0
Silver Pagan	57 5 0
Silver Chaitra	57 8 6
Gold Ready	42 9 5
Gold Fagan	42 10 0
Gold Chaitra	42 12 0
Sovereigns	27 9 0

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay: March 27.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

In full-pressed bales. 6 days.	Since 1st Septr. This year.	Last year
Khandesh	383 49,737	35,905
Central India	2,955 88,989	200,390
Barsi and Nagar	288 106,473	61,334
Hyderabad-Gaorani	469 42,537	4,183
Berar	2,966 279,876	147,734
Central Provinces	753 69,425	32,566
Total Oomras	7,804 637,037	482,042
Dholera	2,975 58,406	138,103
N.-W. Provinces	23,470	2,947
Rajputana	375 26,582	51,555
Sind-Punjab	2,517 304,739	283,280
Broach	18,787 287,749	245,361
Westerns-Northerns	266 18,314	22,875
Coompta & Dharwar	914 17,522	17,490
Cocoanada	82	84
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	1,309	2,553
Persian		
American	53,380	2,578
Egyptian, African and Sudan	203,189	207,778
Comilla, Burma and other sorts	6 2,654	7
Total	32,726 1,634,533	1,455,943
Arrived by road to 21st March 1940	204,358	.....

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY

In full-pressed bales. Yesterday.	Sept. 1 to Mar. 21 This year.	Last year
Total	4,839 689,228	821,716

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay, March 27

Yarn No 6 1/2s April	135	June	137	August	140
Yarn No. 10 1/2s April	159	June	162	August	166
Yarn No. 20 1/2s April	211	June	215	August	218
Yarn No. 40s April	265	June	267	August	270

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay March 27

Castorseeds May—			
Opening	Rs.	48	6 0
Highest		49	0 0
Lowest		48	6 0
Closing		48	11 0
Groundnuts May—			
Opening		38	4 0
Highest		38	15 6
Lowest		38	4 0
Closing		38	11 0
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening		25	9 0
Highest		25	12 0
Lowest		25	7 6
Closing		25	11 0

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, March 26

Broach A/M highest 248 3/4 lowest 243 1/4 closing 245 1/4

Broach J/A highest 259 1/2 lowest 254 1/2 closing 256 1/4

Oomra May highest 226 1/2 lowest 223 closing 224 1/2

Oomra July highest 231 1/4 lowest 228 closing 229 1/2

Bengal May highest 192 lowest 188 3/4 closing 190

Bengal July highest 193 1/2 lowest 190 1/2 closing 191 1/2

Night session: Broach July/August opening Rs. 256 3/4, highest Rs. 258 1/4, lowest Rs. 255, closing Rs. 255, Broach April/May closing Rs. 244.

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, March 27

Yellow metal sheets	Rs.	59	0 0
Copper sheets	Rs.	73	0 0

Tone:—Steady.

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, March 27

Bengal Fine	195-96
Bengal F G	190-92
C. P. 1	237-39
C. P. 2	226-28
Berar	221-23
Khandesh	215-19
Jalna Sailu	216-19
Ahmednagar	216-19
Broach	240-45
Punjab 4 F	255-63
Punjab 289 F	293-98
Sindh N T	278-93

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, March 27

M G:—	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
Bengal U P	195	193	190	187	
Punjab	195	193	190	187	
Rajputana	205	201	198	195	
Oomra Np. 3	229	227	224	221	
C. P. No. 1	243	241	238	235	
C. P. No. 2	233	231	228	225	
Broach No. 2	248	246	243	240	
Surat	283	281	278	275	
Rajpipla	278	276	273	270	
Navsari	293	291	288	285	

American Cotton Figures

F P Bales	1939-40	1938-39
Receipts to date 26-3-40	6843000	3518000
Receipts yesterday 26-3-40	18000	4000
Exports to date 26-3-40	5321000	2901000
Stock at Ports 25-3-40	2926000	2340000
Stock at Interior Towns 25-3-40	2661000	2983000
Stock at Liverpool 25-3-40	....	.....
Visible Supply 25-3-40	.....	5359000
Quantity in sight 25-3-40	12126000	8283000
Quantity out of sight 25-3-40	.....	7559000

3½ P.C. STERLING LOAN

London: March 27.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed steady at £96 1/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

INDIAN LOANS

London: March 27.

3 per cent Indian Stock (£99) £99.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£95 1/2) £95 1/4

4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950/55 (£110 1/2) £110 1/2

4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 (£115) £115

4 per cent Indian Stock 1948/53 (£108) £108

5 per cent Indian Stock 1942-47 (£107 1/4) £107 1/4

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1954/58 (£103) £103

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 (£105 3/4) £105 3/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£72 3/8) £72 1/8

3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£97 5/8) £97 1/2

4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£101 7/8) £101 7/8

4 per cent Funding Loan (£109 7/8 ex-div) £109 1/2

3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£98 5/8) £98 1/2

4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£108 3/4) £108 5/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (12-0) 12-0

Marks and Spencer Ordinary (51-10 1/2) 51-10 1/2

Hydro Electric (dol 3) dol 3

Electric Music Industry (8-7 1/2) 8-7 1/2

Pinchin Johnson (22-1 1/2) 22-1 1/2

Imperial Chemicals (31-9) 31-9

Woolsworth New Ordinary (65-4 1/2) 65-4 1/2

San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1939 (£46 1/2) £46 1/2

Dunlop Rubber (33-3) 33-3

Unilever Ordinary (32) 32-0

Ford Motors (17-1 1/2) 17-1 1/2

Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£60 3/4) £60 3/4

British American Tobacco Ordinary (103-9) 101-10 1/2

Carreas 'A' (£5 3/4) £5 5/8

Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (119-4 1/2) 117-6

P. and O. Def. (21-3) 21-3

Distillers (68-3) 66-6

Bredfords Dye (6-0) 6

British Celanese (8-6) 8-6

J and P Coates Ordinary (36-1 1/2) 36-1 1/2

Courtaulds Ordinary (36-3) 36-0

Fine Cotton Spinners (5-6) 5-6

Vickers Limited Ordinary (18-4 1/2) 18-4 1/2

Inter Nickel (dol 45 3/4) dol 45 3/4

Indian Iron (51-9) 51-9

TEA SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (24-0) 23-9

Donaro Tea (31-3) 31-3

Empire of India (23-9) 23-9

JUTES

Barnagore (£9 1/4) 9 1/4

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (24-0) 23-9

Gula Kelampong (19-4 1/2) 19-0

Rubber Plant Inv Trust (33-0) 32-9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (27-6) 27-6

Burma Corporation (9-3) 9-3

Rio Tintos (£14 1/4) £14 1/4

East Rand Properties (45-7 1/2) 45-7 1/2

Rand Mines (£7 1/4) £7 1/4

MINE SHARES

Crown (£13 5/8) £13 5/8

Associated Portland Cement (48-1 1/2) 48-1 1/2

Trinidad Leaseholds (72-6) 71-3

Sub Nigel (£9 3/8) £9 3/8

Spring Mines Split Shares (25-7 1/2) 27-6

Union Corporation (£7 1/4) £7 1/4

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (25-7 1/2) 26-3

Anglo India (52-6) 52-6

Burma Oil (71-10 1/2) 71-3

Mexican Eagle (6-3) 6-3

Shell Transport (78-9) 78-9

Royal Dutch (£32 1/4) £32 1/2

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£47 5/8) £48 3/4

London Midland Ordinary (£22 1/4) £22 5/8

London North Eastern Def (£3 1/4) £3 1/4

London Southern Def (£21 3/8) £21 5/8

London Transport 5 per cent (£117) £117

London Transport 'C' (£43 1/2) £43 1/2

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED

Bombay: March 27.

Standard Vaccum Oil Coy's Norwegian oil tanker Ora of 5640 reg tons Capt H Grono arrived from Balikpapan with cargo of kerosene and benzine.

Lloyd Triestino Coy's Italian s s Volpi of 3061 reg tons Capt S De Bei arrived from Trieste with passengers and general cargo.

SAILED

Lloyd Triestino Coy's Italian s s Conte Verde of 9909 reg tons sailed for Shanghai with passengers and general cargo.

LOADING

The following vessel is booked for loading on 27-3-1940:—

Dutch s s Bengkalis.

IMPORTS

Bombay: March 27.

2133 bags sugar; 2003 tons coal; 37092 pcs fire bricks; 600 bags fire clay; 200 drums red lead; 158 cases dry fruits; 126 bales ctn piecegoods; 91 D/bags metal ash; 100 dms black enamel; 50 c/s art silk piecegoods; 286 c/s printed tinned sheets; 39 c/s toilet requisites; 224 bags Biri leaves; 500 bdls rubber; 59 bls cotton yarn; 70 bls Saroli mats; 763 bags fish manure; 432 bls cotton; 31 jottas rose water; 71 bdls Siffi mats; 170 bags bronze scrap; 64 bags poppy seeds; 152 c/s provision; 125 bags zira white; 47 bags glass phials; 50 bags sheep skin; 41 bags drugs; 50 c/s skimmed milk; 83 bags gum; 163 bgs raisins; 57 bundles reeds; 255 bags sardines; 1060 bags dry dates; 76 boxes wet dates; 572 bags betelnuts; 30 bales cotton hosiery waste; 250 bdls mattress fibre; 63 c/s ghee; 82851 pieces and bdls teak wood; 316 bags copra; 449 jottas mangoes; 210 bags dry ginger; 525 bags black pepper; 78 bdls wooden shooks; 341 bdls coir yarn; 644 bdls coir rope; 75 kollies hooka shells; 5350 bags cocoanuts.

EXPORTS

616 bags myrabollam J Moolchand and 2500 bls raw cotton Japan Cotton Trading Co Ltd; 100 bls raw cotton S G Shah; 100 bls raw cotton S Karamshi and Co; 100 bls raw cotton The Universal Cotton Trading Co; 100 bls raw cotton L Rawji and Co; 200 bls raw cotton P Premchand; 1280 bags grd nut cakes exp K Devchand and Co Ltd; 1917 bags grd nut oil cakes exp K Prasad and Co Ltd; 1280 bags grd nut oil cakes exp A Oomerbhoy; 4050 bags grd nut oil cakes exp Indo Foreign Comm Corporation; 1680 bags grd nut oil cakes exp L Dreyfus and Co; 4480 bags groundnut oil cake meal L Dreyfus and Co; 1200 bags linseed oil cake flat The Swastik Oil Mills Ltd; 1400 bags grd nut oil cakes exp F H Kassam: 3910 bags grd nut oil cakes exp M Bhuta and Co; 100 bags gum A Abdulla and Co; 50 bls cow hides raw Fais and Co; 8 bls buffalo hides raw Faiz and Co; 25 bls grey sheetings M Velji and Sons; 4000 drums linseed oil Lee and Muirhead; 918 bales cotton twist waste Barot Bros and Co; 60 bls cotton waste L O Vora; 44 bls cotton waste G M Vyas and Co; 432 bags mustard seed K Tricamji; 80 bags myrabollam K Tricamji; 350 bags myrabollam crushed K Tricamji; 67 bags myrabollam crushed H Bhagwandas; 1077 bags myrabollams H Bhagwandas; 3192 bags myrabollams P Mathradas and Co; 100 bls raw cotton K Devchand and Co Ltd; 470 bales raw cotton Volkart Bros.

Surat Electricity Company, Limited

The twentieth ordinary general meeting of the share holders of the Surat Electricity Co. Ltd., was held on Wednesday evening at the registered office of the Company, Fort, Bombay, when Mr. R. C. Lowndes presided.

In the course of his address referring to the accounts the president said that after providing for Depreciation and Taxation and appropriating Rs. 900 to workmen's compensation Reserve, a balance Rs. 1,19,745-12-4 is carried to the Balance Sheet. By adding to this the sum of Rs. 18,485-13-2 brought forward from last year's accounts, the total available for disposal for the year amounts to Rs. 1,38,231-9-6. The Directors declared an 'ad-interim' dividend of Rs. 2-8-0 per share on the ordinary shares which, together with the half yearly dividend on the preference shares, absorbed Rs. 43,258-7-9, leaving a balance of Rs. 94,973-2-6 out of which was to be paid as dividend for the 2nd half year ended 31st December 1939 at the rate of 6½ per cent, amounting to Rs. 16,250-0-0. A further payment was also to be made for the 2nd half year ended 31st December 1939 of Rs. 4-12-0 per share proportionate to the amounts paid up making 7-1/4 per cent. on the ordinary shares amounting to Rs. 63,326-10-6.

The report of the Directors together with the audited statement of accounts made up to 31st December 1939 were approved adopted and confirmed.

Repatriation Of Govt. Of India Sterling Debt.

CREATION OF RUPEE LOANS

In terms of the Gazette of India Extraordinary dated the 22nd February, 1940 and the Government of India Press Communique of the same date, arrangements have been completed to afford the public facilities for the transfer of their holdings of Indian Sterling Loans from the books of the Bank of England to counterpart Rupee Loans registered in India, with effect from the 1st April 1940. For the present the facilities will be available only at the Bombay Office of the Reserve Bank of India from which office full details of the procedure may be ascertained.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, March 27

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

3 1/2 per cent Paper 94/4; 4 per cent 1960/70 108; 5 per cent 1945/55 111/13

BANKS

Bank of Baroda 99/12; Bank of Hindusthan 21/8; Bank of India 137/8; Central Bank 37/2; Imperial Bank F P 1520; Imperial Bank P P 370; Indian Overseas Bank 80; Reserve Bank 108/4; Union Bank 5/12/6.

TEXTILES

Ahmd New Textiles 435; Ambica 290; Arun 217/8; Arvind 1380; Asok 215; Bharatkhand Textiles 2150, Bombay Dyeing 985; Buckingham and Carnatics 210; Calico 800; Central India 293/2; Century 295; Colaba 156/14; Elgin 155/10; Gokak 196/4; Hukumchand 165/10; Indore Maiwa 38/12; Jubilee 271/4; Khatau Makanji 113/2; Kohinoor 366 1; Laxmi Cotton 525; Madhusudan 200; Mardon 426/12; Morarji 190; Mysore 105/14; Nandlal Bhandari 77/4; New Great 355; Raipur 695; Rajnagar 147/8; Sajjan 97/8; Sassoon and Alliance 78; Sholapur 3600; Simplex 110/15; Swadeshi 263/2; Vishnu 1395; Podar Mills 380

HYDRO ELECTRICS

Andhra Valley Ord 1510; Tata Hydro ord 159/6; Tata Power ord 1372/8

ELECTRICS

Ahmedabad Electrics 151/14; Ajmer Electrics 10/8; Amalgamated 10/4; Bombay Suburban 165/2; Bombay Tram 131/9; Lahore Electrics 225; Surat Electrics 162/8

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock Ashdown 490; Associated Cements 123/8; Belapur 217/8; Bombay Burma New 201/4, Bombay Burma Old 635/12; Bombay Steam 288/12; Bombay Telephone 91/8; Br B Petrol 4/10/6; Burma Corporation 6/8, Dalmia Cement 9/12; Indian Bleaching 111/14; Industrial Investment Tr 46/4; Indian Radio Ord 465; Indian Radio Defd 477/8; Indian Copper 2/4; Indian Iron 36; Mysore Sugar 43; Port Canning 75/4; Premier Construction XD 85/8; Rohtas Industries 21; Scindia Steam 18/12; Shivrajpur 39/12; Steel Corp of Bengal 20; Tata Oil 49/8; Tata Steel Ordy 393; Tata Steel Defd 2100

JUTES

Birla Jute 21/4; Howrah 54/4; Hukumchand 7/8; Kamarhatty 304; Kanknarrah 410; Lawrence 415; Reliance 69

Protection For Bichromates Industry

NEW DELHI: March 27.

In view of the fact that war conditions have shown that the indigenous production of Bichromates required for the textile and tanning industries are vital to the security of two of India's major industries, Government are prepared to give an assurance that if conducted on sound business lines, the industry will be protected against unfair competition from outside India on the lines indicated above to any concern, which undertakes the production of Bichromates.—A. P.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Speculatives Steadier

CALCUTTA: March 27.

Jutes ruled steady but transactions were nothing but moderate. Coals were easier. Teas ruled dull. Miscellaneous speculative were again a shade quieter to-day at the opening but closed decidedly steadier. Government securities were steady.

The following are the closing quotations:

Government securities: 3 per cent new loan 1963/65 93/12; 3 1/2 per cent Government paper 94/7; 3 per cent Government paper 81; 3 per cent loan 1951/54 98/2 small lot; 4 per cent loan 1960/70 108/4 small lot; 5 per cent loan 1940/43 101/11.

Banks: Central Bank 36/8; Reserve Bank 105.

Cottons:—Cawnpore Textiles 6; Mohini Mills 11/4 small odd lot; New Victoria ord 1/6; Pref 4/3.

Coals: Amalgamated 29/12 small lot; Bengal 356; Bokaro and Ramgur 15/13; Burra Dhemo 4/15; Deoli 10/5; Dhemo Main 16/8; Burrakur 14/4; Equitable 37/10; Hurriladih 13/14; Jainty Central 2/3; Katras Jherriah 27/8; New Beerbhoom 16/8; North Damuda 6 small lots.

Jutes: Auckland 204 small lot; Bally 244 small lot; Budge Budge 348; Craig 1/7; Dalhousie 349; Pref 154 small odd lot; Gondalpara 896/8; Hastings Pref 100/8; Hooghly ord 53; Pref 17/12; Hukumchand Pref 85; India 346/8; Kanknarrah 411 small lot; Meghna 34; Lothian Pref 138 small odd lot; National 23/4; Orient 209; Presidency 6/8; Waverley 2/1.

Engineering Companies: Burn and Co ord 348; Hukumchand Steel ord 7/1 small lot; Indian Galvanizing 30; Indian Malleable Casting ord 7/3; Indian St. Wagon Pref 142; Indian Steel and Wire Products Defd 3½/12; Indian Iron and Steel 36/9; Marshalls 2/3; Steel Corporation ord 20/5; Pref 104/8.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corporation 5/7; Dalmia Cement ord 9/9; Bareilly Elec 11/10; Bengal Telephone Pref 13/4; Jubbulpore Electric 13/4; Bankura Damoodar Rly 88; B I Corporation ord 4/11 c div; Dunlop Rubber ord 29/6; 2nd Pref 115 c t; Indian Wood Products 27/1 c div; British Burma Petroleum 4/12; Bengal Paper 115; Orient Paper Pref 89 s lot; Titaghur paper 'A' and 'B' ordy 31/4; Humayun Property Defd 1/3; Assam Saw Mill 2/13 ex-div.

Sugar Shares: Carew and Co Pref 110; Champaran 13/12; South Behar 18/4.

Tea Shares: East India 8/14; Engo 140; Sarugaon 9/4 small lot c t; Texpore Pref 12/8 c t small lot.

Debentures: 3 1/4 per cent 1956/66 Howrah Bridge Debs 98/10.—A. P.

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BOMBAY and SUBURBS

Local Engagements

To-day

Hindu: Falgun Vad 5, 1996
Muslim: Safar 18, 1359
Parsi: Meher 25, 1309
Highide: 2-46; 15-40
Lowtide: 8-56; 21-39
Sunrise: 6h. 37m.
Sunset: 6h. 52m.

PRESS AND ART CLUB OF INDIA

To meet Mr. B. C. Durant, Chairman of the Club, who is proceeding on leave to Australia, a Tea Party will be given at the Cricket Club of India to-day (Thursday), at 6-30 p.m.

B. P. INFANT WELFARE SOCIETY

The annual general meeting of the Bombay Presidency Infant Welfare Society will be held to-day (Thursday) at 5-45 p.m. (S. T.) at the Civil Secretariat, Committee Room, 1st floor. Lady Lumley will preside.

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CAPITOL—"Union Pacific". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Destry Rides Again." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Judge Hardy and Son". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Mighty Chang" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Hunchback of Notre Dame." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Raigad". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
PATHE—"Mud" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
ROXY—"Kangan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Ardhangi" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Zindagi". Daily at 4-15, 7-15 and 9-45 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Naked Truth". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Kum-Kum". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Holi". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Gorakhnath". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
PLAZA—"My Beloved". Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.

TULSI RAMAYAN

Swami Gunateetanand of Ramakrishna Mission, Khar Road, Khar, will give his discourse on Tulsi Ramayan to-day (Thursday) at 5-30 p.m. at the Ramakrishna Mission Library Hall, Khar Road

DR. SIR J. J. MODI'S DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Under the joint auspices of the Rahnuma-e-Mazdayasnan Sabha and the Gatha Society, the 7th death anniversary of the late Dr. Sir J. J. Mody will be observed to-day (Thursday) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute's Library Hall, 1st floor (Apollo Street, Museum East), at 5 p.m. Jashan ceremony will be performed and at 6 p.m. Mr. Behramgore T. Anklesaria will speak in Gujarati on "Superman" and other will also speak on "Life and Work of the late Sir J. J. Modi."

THEOSOPHICAL STUDY GROUP

A study class will be held at Agrawal Nivas Terrace, Telang Road, Matunga (G.I.P.) to-day (Thursday) at 8-15 p.m. The subject of the lecture is: "The Sevenfold Man."

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Domestic Occurrence

UTHAMANA

DEATH HAS OCCURRED OF VORA DHAramdas Joothabhai on Wednesday, 27th March, and the Uthamana ceremony will be held on Thursday (to-day), the 28th March, at his residence, Girgaum Back Road, Deshmukh Lane.

CITY JOURNALISTS TO MEET MR. MRINAL KANTI BOSE

City journalists will meet Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bose at the premises of Journalists' Association of India in Queen's Mansions, Prescott Road, Fort, at 6 p.m. on Saturday, the 30th inst.

PRITHVI SINGH AT VILE PARLE

Under the auspices of the Vile-Parle Congress Committee Sardar Prithvi Singh will address a public meeting to-day (Thursday) at 8-30 p.m. at Gandhi Chowk, Vile-Parle on "Non-Violence as I have realised it."

GRAND CONCERT IN AID OF THE Y. M. C. A.

Under the patronage of H. E. the Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley to-morrow (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall Messrs. Mehli Mehta (Violinist), E. Verga (Cellist), Miss Helen Todd (Pianist), Miss Julia Bennett (Soprano) and the Bombay Male Voice Choir will give a concert in aid of the Y.M.C.A.

Tickets are priced at Re. 5 to Annas 8, and may be obtained at Central Y.M.C.A., 12, Wodehouse Road, Bombay

DEFAMATION CASE AGAINST EDITOR FAILS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A case of considerable importance to journalists was decided this morning by the Chief Presidency Magistrate when he dismissed a complaint of defamation preferred against Mr. R. K. Tatnis, editor of "Vividhvritta" by Hanmantsa Nemasa Katwe.

The complaint arose out of a review of a book on divorce entitled "Dhudgus" written by the complainant.

The Magistrate remarked that the complainant was very confused in his ideas and the respondent, he said had aptly described in one sentence when he said about the author "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread."

Holding that no case was made out by the complainant, the Magistrate discharged the notice and dismissed the complaint.

Babrekar's "No" To Police

There are lots of people in Bombay who have no ostensible means of livelihood even among lawyers, engineers, and medical men, said Mr. D. S. Babrekar, Presidency Magistrate refusing to bind over a man on the police plea that he was indigent and had no ostensible means of living.

The Magistrate gave time for the police to produce evidence regarding the man's activities since his release from jail two years ago.

FATAL FALL

Chintamani Ravi Shanker Joshi (57), residing at Amratwadi while moving about the verandha on the 2nd floor of the building had a sudden fall and was seriously injured. He was immediately removed to the J. J. Hospital where he died this evening.

TWO MILL WORKERS ASSAULTED

Sakaram Yesu and two other Mill workers were assaulted by the strikers, the former at Saitan Chowki and the latter at Mahim. Some of the strikers who were suspected to have been involved were placed under arrest.

ALLEGED CRIMINAL BREACH OF TRUST

Case Against Well-Known City Merchant About Sholapur Shares

A case of criminal breach of trust in respect of 163 shares of the Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., alleged to have been committed by a well-known city merchant is the subject matter of investigation in the Court of Mr. Oscar Brown, Presidency Magistrate, Third Court.

The present value of one share of the above company is about Rs. 3,000.

Mr. Ramkumar Morarka, a partner of Ramkumar Morarka and Morarka & Co., Managing Agents of the Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Co., the accused in the case stands charged with criminal breach of trust in respect of 163 Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Co., shares at the instance of the complainant Mr. Nandkishore Ramdhandas Jhajharia, a merchant.

Mr. Yodhraj Bhalla, Secretary of the Punjab National Bank, Mr. R. D. Romer, Solicitor and the complainant gave evidence in the case.

The complainant, in his evidence deposed that his family owned 163 shares of the Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Co. In consequence of certain negotiations between his father and Seth Ramkisondas Dalmia, it was finally arranged on June 9, 1939 that Seth Dalmia should advance Rs. 3,38,600 on the pledge of the above 163 shares and that he should sub-pledge the same to the accused for the same amount.

It was further arranged that the shares should be transferred to the accused or to his nominees. This arrangement was carried out on June 10. The accused's firm thus advanced Rs. 3,33,600 on the pledge of these shares.

The complainant stated that these shares were transferred to the name of the accused but his family were still the owners of the shares subject to the pledge.

"STORY OF SALE A JOKE"

Complainant further stated the Punjab National Bank, one of the constituted attorneys of Seth Dalmia, served a notice on the accused, in consequence of which Mr. V. D. Puri, Manager of the Punjab National Bank, the complainant and Mr. Romer, Solicitor, went to the accused's place on January 4, and tendered Rs. 3,51,000 to the accused an amount sufficient to meet whatever was due to him in exchange of the said shares. Mr. Romer asked the accused whether he was prepared to hand over the shares and transfer deeds when the accused replied that he would hear from his solicitors. The accused's reply through his solicitor stated 100 out of the 163 shares were sold and delivered to the accused's firm on June 10 and the remaining 63 shares were pledged with his firm on the same day. The complainant further stated that the story of the sale was a joke and the same was put forward by the accused as the market value of the shares had gone up considerably.

Concluding the complainant said that the accused had dishonestly misappropriated the said 163 shares in violation of the contract of pledge entered into by him.

Mr. Yodhraj Bhalla, Secretary of the Board of the Punjab National Bank, in his evidence deposed that in consequence of certain negotiations it was agreed that the complainant should pledge 163 shares with Seth Dalmia and the latter in his turn should sub-pledge it with the accused. This agreement was settled and arrived at on June 9 and consequently Rs. 3,38,600 were advanced to the accused by four pay orders. All the share scripts and transfer forms were handed over to the accused.

Mr. Romer, partner of Messrs. Merwanji Kola and Co., Solicitors giving evidence stated that he accompanied the complainant, and Mr. V. D. Puri, Manager of the Punjab National Bank to the accused's place on January 10, in consequence of a notice served on him.

He tendered Rs. 3,51,000 and offered it to the accused in exchange of 163 shares and asked the accused whether he was prepared to hand over the said shares. The accused told him that he would hear from his solicitors.

Mr. C. N. Kanuga appeared for the complainant while the accused was defended by Mr. S. G. Velinker.

On a charge of bringing five bottles of country liquor from Kalyan to Bombay in a vegetable basket, Babu Gena Dugji and Janibai Hari were arrested by the G. I. P. Railway at Byculla yesterday.

They were placed to-day before the Presidency Magistrate at Mazagaon Court and were enlarged on bail.

Col. Ghadiali Withdraws Defamation Case

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The case filed by Col. Dinshah Pestanji Ghadiali of New Jersey, U. S. A., against Mr. A. F. Marzban, Editor of the "Jam-e-Jamshed" for alleged defamation was marked compounded to-day by the Chief Presidency Magistrate on an application made by the complainant.

Col. Ghadiali, in his application, stated that the accused published in the "Jam-e-Jamshed" dated March 26 an editorial article, withdrawing the imputations made against him, and expressed "sincere and heart felt regrets" for defaming the complainant.

The complainant therefore requested the Court to record the composition of the case. The Magistrate granted the application.

Devanathan and Sugantha in a tense moment from the Tamil play, "Sughanta," to be staged on Saturday.

"SUGANTHA"

Tamil Play To Be Staged On This Saturday

Amateurs of the South Indian Association, Bombay, will put on board "Sugantha", a gripping Tamil drama at the Damodar Thackersey Hall, Parel, at 8 p.m. (S. T.), on Saturday, the 30th March, 1940, in aid of the Association's Building Fund.

The plot centres round charming Sugantha, a devadasi girl, who becomes the object of love of Devanathan, a high class Brahmin youth, and of the amour of the temple priest who conspires with the mother of the girl to satisfy his base desires. The viles of the crafty priest create many a tragic situation. Sugantha, however, shows herself to be extremely resourceful and combats the evil forces ranged against her with a dexterity and courage which present a baffling problem Her innocence, purity and constancy in love become the despair of those who would reduce her to a life of shame.

Devanathan is driven away from home and the foul methods of his detractors to cut him and Sugantha away from each other makes him desperate. He is arrested on the charge of murder of his love who mysteriously disappears from her house. He is condemned to death. But before the sentence is executed, as though by the direct intervention of Providence, he is saved. Eventually Sugantha is restored to him.

The whole story is so cleverly woven to produce the maximum dramatic effect and the sequence of one tense moment after another holds the audience in expectation and anxiety from start to finish. "Sugantha" is an instance where the old adage "Man proposes and God disposes" is reversed. It must provide good entertainment with moral and social instruction.

C. K. N.

Mayor's Party To Governor

About a thousand guests attended the Mayor and Mrs. Behram N. Karanjia's Garden Party to meet H. E. the Governor and Lady Lumley at Sir Pherozeshah Mehta's Gardens on Wednesday evening.

The Governor and Lady Lumley were received on arrival by the Mayor and Mrs. B. N. Karanjia, Sir Sultan Chinoy, Sir C. V. Mehta, Sir J. B. Boman Behram, Dr. E. Moses, Dr. M. C. Javle and other former Mayors. Among those present were also Sir Gilbert Wiles, Mr. J. A. Madan and Mr. H. F Knight, Advisers to the Governor, the Hon. Chief Justice and other Judges of the Bombay High Court, the Chief Presidency Magistrate and other Presidency Magistrates, Judges of the Small Causes Court Bishop of Bombay, the Archbishop of Bombay, Sir Suleman C. Mitha Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Sir Ardeshir Dalal, Sir Hugh Clayton, Sir Govindrao Pradhan, Mr. and Mrs Husseinbhoy A. Lalji and others.

After refreshment the Governor and Lady Lumley were taken round the lawns by the Mayor and Mrs. Karanjia and Miss Karanjia and introduced to the guests.

PAIN WAS WEARING HER OUT

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AN OMISSION

Gandhiji's article on "Every Congress Committee a Satyagraha Committee" is doubtless meant to prepare the country for a non-violent struggle and to see if the country is already prepared or can be soon prepared. He is naturally more cautious now than he was ever before. The coming struggle, he says, will be a most strenuous one and "no half-hearted loyalty will answer the purpose." He will not "consciously make a fatal experiment" with ill-prepared soldiers and warns all concerned that he may even stop the struggle after starting if even non-combatants act contrary to his instructions. Just at present he is not satisfied with the measure of non-violence in the country. For he says that "we have violence in our hearts," that "we are often violent to one another in mutual dealings" and, therefore, "he will not be able to fight so long as we have violence in our midst." We may add that outside the Congress there is much less non-violence than there is in it. Off and on we have clear enough indications that the whole atmosphere is charged with a spirit of violence.

Communal Unity

Gandhiji, therefore, rightly insists that for the purpose of creating a spirit of non-violence all over the country every Congress Committee should be a Satyagraha Committee wherein the registered Satyagrahis "will devote the whole of their spare time to the constructive programme." He particularly expects the committees to be "busy spinning depots" and the volunteers to visit Harijan homes and remove their difficulties as far as possible." These are decidedly important items in the Constructive Programme, but we do not understand why no specific mention is made of what is now the most important item of the programme, namely, inter-communal unity. Surely we do not possess it to-day in such an excessive measure that no special efforts are necessary to add to it or retain it. The Hindu-Muslim tension now is graver than it was ever before, and every day it is getting worse. It is surprising, therefore, that Gandhiji's article makes no specific mention of what he has himself all along recognised as the most important item of the Constructive programme, except that he expects the Satyagrahis to believe in the cultivation of a spirit of goodwill towards all. Probably, Gandhiji wrote the article before he read about the Muslim League's resolution. If so, we earnestly hope he will immediately issue a separate statement dealing with that resolution at length with special reference to its bearing on the coming struggle.

Need For Truce, If Not Settlement

The gravity of the situation created by the League is undeniable. The reticence of Gandhiji and the Congress President on the subject is itself a sign of it. The League's resolution would be a disconcerting move even in ordinary times as a defiant challenge to the Congress. At a time when the Congress is preparing for a nation-wide campaign, which must fail miserably if it is not accompanied by a nation-wide sympathy and non-violence, the League's attitude is a serious menace to the contemplated struggle. It will not do to be too sure that though the supporters of the League will not help the Congress they will at least refrain from hindering it. Formerly the League thought that it would get a due share in the benefit accruing from the Congress struggle. But now it fears, though without a just cause, that the success of the struggle would benefit the Congress alone. A complete settlement with the League may not be possible immediately in the present circumstance. But it should be possible to make a truce with the League on reasonable terms about the immediate constitutional changes. In any case an attempt must be made to have it before the Congress plunges into a nation-wide campaign. There is nervousness in the minds of many Congressmen on this score. It may be much allayed by reassuring statements by Gandhiji and the Congress President.

No Change

In Britain efforts have long been persistently made to secure a reconstruction of the British Cabinet But those desiring it have themselves been divided and working in two directions; one, towards a drastic change involving Mr. Chamberlain and the essential spirit that he represents and, two, a reconstruction without prejudice to the principles, policy and the dominating personalities of the present reactionary Government. According to our London correspondent there is no possibility at all of the first. Nor is even a nominal reconstruction a certainty. There is, however, a probability of it as some young Tories may be given promotion. The reshuffle may or may not bring Mr. R. A. Butler to the India Office as its chief. But one thing, as our correspondent points out, is certain. The substitution of a Zetland with a Butler will not make any improvement in the British Government's policy towards India.

Indian Shipping

In the course of the general discussion on the Finance Bill in the Central Assembly on Tuesday Sir A. H. Ghuznavi supported the nation's demand for the establishment of an Indian Mercantile Marine, urging that the present war had emphasised the importance of every maritime country building its own ships in its own yards. He might have spoken to a lamp-post. Sir G. S. Bajpai, who replied to the discussion on behalf of Government, completely ignored the appeal, to judge from the published report of his speech. If there is now anything like an Indian Mercantile Marine and any prospect of an Indian yard to build ships, it is in spite of Government's indifference in the matter. Indian enterprise will fare better if the Indian public patronise Indian shipping concerns as far as possible and even at some cost.

Greenwood: Voice Of British Labour

By DEVERE ALLEN

LONDON.

A bright oasis in surrounding shadows, the tearoom at the House of Commons is a cosy, friendly place. There, while business proceeded on the floor of the House itself, I talked with Arthur Greenwood. He was animated, hopeful, unhesitating, the kindliest of hosts.

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If anyone can speak to-day for British Labour, that man is Arthur Greenwood. Technically he is deputy leader of the Labour forces in the House. But the titular leader, Major Clement Attlee, though commanding the respect of everyone, is far from well and lacks the dramatic fire which in such times as these seems needed, somehow, more than ever in debate. Greenwood holds views which fit patly into his party's present policy. He can rise to eloquence. He has been showing a grasp of affairs, often disconcerting to more learned men, which has won him tributes from all sorts of political foes.

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Arthur Greenwood, a few years from now, will either be a leader highly regarded and possessing great stature among his party rank and file, or one of the most discredited men in British history It rests with the future. It rests on the development of the war. It rests on the nature of the peace. Greenwood knows it, and I think he is a little nervous about it, underneath, though he is in no degree a self-seeking individual. He smiles a little ruefully as he tells without equivocation or self-deception how markedly his role has changed: from an outspoken foe of conscription and war, to the warmest voice of labour in support for an imperialist government (as he admits he thinks his political opponents are) in a great new war. He is not altogether happy, it seemed to me, in his new role. There are little doubts that nibble at his mind. But he has the courage, certainly, of his convictions. And he is honest enough to concede the width of the gap between the older arguments and the newer actions.

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"What do you think of an early peace?" To this inquiry he made the most uncompromising of replies. Take it from him, the Labour Party won't permit it. Not if it leaves the Nazis any power. One can sympathise with his fear of something like another Munich. But one can hardly help doubting whether he sees things with sufficient subtlety. It is this or that, with a hearty man like Greenwood; his forthrightness is his strength. For the time being, a rather simplified, uncomplicated view of international affairs has unquestionable attraction in a warring land. But is it thoughtful to reject, without any genuine attempt to weigh and consider, the argument, held by thousands of intelligent persons in Britain that before millions are slaughtered and economic ruin wrought over most of Europe, it might be wise to attempt a non-compromise peace by negotiation? It is clear enough that no peace can be made which leaves Hitlerism free to terrorize its neighbours or its victims at home. But which is best calculated to drive a wedge between Hitler and his propagandized following: the usual tricks of total warfare, or shrewd, if sincere, diplomatic drives for a negotiated settlement without surrender?

Greenwood sees enough in this to believe determinedly in a statement of specific aims by the British and the French. He is at his best when he rises in the House and demands that there be no repetition of the Versailles Treaty at the conclusion of this war. He is not in so happy a situation, however, when, after failing to make any impression on the Government, he is obliged to continue his unqualified support. Is it unfair to say that his party's influence on the course of affairs because of its support of the Tory war leadership, is dependent upon that support itself? Or that whenever the Labourites go into any really important opposition they fail to get what they want? When they win helpful concessions, the price is high.

But Labour certainly ameliorated the emergency powers and gave democracy a lift when it won an abandonment of some extraordinary provisions, such as abolition of 'habeas corpus' which had been passed in the original emergency statutes. And if it seems strange to find labour anywhere backing up conscription, Greenwood makes the one point in its favour from the pacific angle, to offset the undeniable danger in it to democracy. Because of the tremendous numbers of reserve occupations not to be called up, because of the uniform or less nationalists before the crisis of last summer."

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But Labour is still an Opposition on domestic issues. It fights vigorously for better old-age pensions. It attacks the snobbishness that it finds in the Army—whose officers seem to be refusing to eat in the same restaurants with privates, all in the name of democracy. It combats the government refusal to hitch wages to rising prices. Greenwood uses the word "Socialism" freely on the floor, but it no longer frightens anyone.

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"We shall never be Yes-men," Greenwood insists, and you know how sincerely he believes it. Yet one cannot help wondering whether the thousands of workers who have been taught, so far as they can see, to follow another party's lead, will break on the call of Labour leadership when some international issue sharpens? Whatever Labour thinks about this officially, it is no secret that the Tories are delighted. When the World War was over, the revulsion against the war put Ramsay MacDonald however mistakenly from labour's viewpoint, into office; will millions suffer the same revulsion, and if so, will they support these present leaders? Will it be possible to push through economic gains demanded by the workers in a Britain impoverished by a long-fought war? If battle is finally closed and decided on the land, will the French, who are putting so many millions of troops into struggle, allow Greenwood and his associates to have the peace they wish? Can you condition millions of British and French working men to fight German working men, and then expect them to turn suddenly about and differentiate thoughtfully between the German masses and the Nazi clique of overlords? Will it be possible, when the world-wide labour movement is uncemented throughout the disintegrating days of war, to throw enough pressure in the direction of a secure democracy inside defeated Germany?

From the Labour movement in neutral countries no little criticism has been directed toward Greenwood and his associates. The British are felt to be too domineering, too insular in point of view. "In 1914," said one disillusioned Continental leader to the writer, when in Switzerland, "we saw the sorry spectacle of international labour split into nationalist groups by the impact of the war. But now it didn't take a war to do it; they were all more unqualified support. Is it unfair to say that his party's influence on the course of affairs because of its support of the Tory war leadership, is dependent upon that support itself? Or that whenever the Labourites go into any really important opposition they fail to get what they want? When they win helpful concessions, the price is high.

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Disabilities Of Indians Overseas

NEW DELHI, March 27.

The Central Assembly to-day unanimously adopted the resolution of Mr. Syed Ghulam Bhik Nairang recommending to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council to convey to the Secretary of State the opinion of the House that steps be taken as early as possible to bring about the removal of disabilities to which Indians are subjected in various parts of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

In view of the statement made by Sir Girja Sanker Bajpai in the Central Assembly that the Government would remove as quickly as possible the legitimate grievances of the Muslims, Nawab Sadiqali Khan withdrew his resolution recommending that the portion of saving of Kamran dues realised from the Pilgrims of Hedjaz be utilised in building a suitable house at Karachi for the accommodation of the pilgrims.

Proceedings In Detail

NEW DELHI, March 27.

The Assembly considered non-official resolutions to-day. Mr. Essak Sait moved a resolution suggesting labour legislation to provide among other things (1) for a representative of workmen to sit on the board of directors and of management of all public companies; (2) that no company should declare more than six per cent. dividend (3) that no person connected with the management of the company should get more than Rs. 2,000 in salary and allowance and (4) that surplus profit should be deposited in a benevolent fund for the benefit of workmen, other employees and shareholders in a specified proportion. The mover said that his object was to draw attention to the burning question of contentment of labourers.

LABOUR AS BUSINESS PARTNER

Sir Ziauddin Ahmad supporting the resolution said that steps should be taken to make the workmen contented, and the only way to achieve that was to make them feel they were partners in the concern.

Mr. Lalchand Navalrai further supported the resolution but with reservations regarding the amount of the dividend.

Mr. E. L. C. Gwilt (European Group) in a maiden speech analysing the resolution declared that the suggestion to have a representative of workmen on the Board of Directors was not the best manner of looking after the workmen's interest.

ZIAUDDIN FOR RUSSIA!

Sir A. H. Ghaznavi said he could not express his view of the resolution better than by moving an amendment to ask Soviet Russia to invite Sir Ziauddin to become its premier and the mover to be its commerce member (laughter). He asked what company would care to work under conditions which the resolution tried to impose?

Mr. M. S. Aney said that the general intention of the resolution might be reasonable, but the definite suggestions made in it were unacceptable. If a limit was to be placed on profits, how, he asked, were industries to meet bad years? Labour undoubtedly had the right to insist on the fulfilment of proper conditions of work, but workmen should not demand a change in the whole structure of business.

RESOLUTION WITHDRAWN

Mr. Essak Sait thought that the resolution had served its purpose in focussing attention on the question of labour discontent and

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Frankly Speaking

Chinese Successes

The Japanese are having a bad time of it in China inspite of their Army, their puppet Governments and their much-boosted Wang-Ching-Wais. Chungking announces the recapture of Wuyuan, north of the Yellow River and a strategic pass east of it "thus ensuring the security of the positions on the bend of the Yellow River." This success was preceded by another on the Indo-China route where the Chinese have captured Lingshan, threatening the Japanese force with encirclement and also their communications between Nanning and the coast. Even if the Chinese fail to cut off the communications and the Japanese army near Lingshan, the security of the Indo-China route which they have succeeded in preserving is a great gain. That route is going to be one of the factors in the ultimate victory of China.

Significant Change?

The U. S. A. Administration has not officially made any statement But it appears that the obstacles in the way of the Allies purchasing aeroplanes in America have been removed. Indeed, as a Washington message suggests, the official view "has undergone a striking change in the last few days with the result that even so-called 'secret' military planes—including some of the world's most formidable pursuit machines—now being built for the United States army, will be available to the Allies and other countries to whom the 'moral embargo' does not 'apply'. This is a significant development particularly in view of the fact that it practically coincides with the conclusion of the Sumner-Welles mission in Europe.

The Lahore Firing

Inevitably the recent clash at Lahore between Khaksars and the police and the tragic loss of life that resulted therefrom were the subject of an adjournment motion in the Punjab Assembly. The Congress Leader, Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, while criticising the Government, did well to make it clear that support to the adjournment motion "should not be construed to imply that the Congress Party in any way favoured the removal of the ban on the Khaksar and other like violent organisations." So long as the Khaksar Organisation resorted to violence it must be opposed. But what happened at Lahore raises another issue. It is a wholesome and indeed very necessary principle, that when firing is resorted to by the police its justification must be inquired into promptly and impartially. We are glad, however, that the Punjab Premier has already accepted the demand for an inquiry.

Jobs

Sir Abdul Halim speaking in the Indian Legislative Assembly condemned the appointment of liaison officers and controllers in connection with the supply of war material. He particularly complained that all these officers excepting one were Europeans and were drawn from the very trades they were supposed to control. In fact, as Sir Halim pointed out, there was no need for a new Department of Supply, for "the Indian Stores Department and the Contracts Directorate, which were already in existence, were in touch with the trade and could have supplied His Majesty's Government any amount of material they wanted." Evidently war is handy excuse, and a constitutionally irresponsible Government, which has provided fat jobs for some non-Indians, is not very particular about its excuses.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

"As a nationalist Hindu, the speaker continued, he would tell every Muslim to look to India as his motherland and not to have any extra-territorial motives, join hands with Hindus on terms of perfect equality and carry on the fight for swaraj."

—Mr. Savarkar.

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In a circular to Provincial Congress Committees, Acharya Kripalani emphasises that constructive work forms the main feature of National Week celebrations.

This we consider to be grave provocation which cannot be tolerated.

Deshgaurab Subhas Chandra Bose, forward!

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A contemporary observes that in India "the toll taken by cerebro-spinal fever is high."

There can be no doubt about it after its exhibition at Lahore

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In the Punjab Assembly Sir Sikandar Hayat revealed that several meetings had been held at the house of a member of the Punjab Assembly where Khaksars were incited to break the law.

We await further developments with keen interest.

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Apropos of the enthusiastic send-off to Mr. M. A. Jinnah:—

QUESTION: Why was Sir Sikandar Hayat not present at the station on the occasion of the Quaid-e-Azam's departure?

ANSWER: "Wait and see."

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The "most ingenious feature" of the new German torpedo, it is learnt on the authority of the British Admiralty, is that it contains on it the portrait of Mr. Chamberlain complete with top hat and umbrella

That perhaps is at least one reason why it did not explode.

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According to the Japanese press, the Soviet is "feverishly importing" petrol from America through Vladivostok.

The report, it is rumoured, has made Goering's capacious mouth water.

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It is suggested in Washington that the U. S. A. Government has decided to divert the secret military 'planes that are being built for it to Britain and France.

Signor Gayda and, of course, Doctor Goebbels should at once start a verbal bombing of that "plutocratic democracy."

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But in justice to it they ought to concede that the "plutocratic democracy" is justifying itself.

Is it not exporting war material and petrol to Russia?

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In pursuit of their anti-British campaign the Germans, it is reported, launched a boat on the French front, carrying banners "with rudest remarks about the British."

These historic banners were shot by the French to the bottom of the river along with the boat instead of being captured which is disappointing.

But we wonder if the ingenious Streicher of "Der Sturmer" has been transferred from the job of Jew to British baiting.

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'Why didn't you return Jack's ring and presents?'

'I regard them as spoils of war taken in my first engagement.'

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Wise is the individual who is sensible of his own follies.

The prettier a girl is the more often she wants to be told about it.

A man who boasts that he picks his company usually picks flaws therein.

It's easy for a woman to understand why a man doesn't understand her.

Don't make yourself common. The world sits up and takes notice only of the uncommon.

After a young man has called on a girl a few times she imagines that she can sniff the orange blossoms in the air.

Soviet Ambassador In Paris Recalled

Sequel To Cable To Stalin On Soviet-Finnish Treaty

MOSCOW, March 27.

Tass Agency statement with regard to M. Souritz says that the French Charge d'Affaires at Moscow informed M. Molotov that the French Government considered a telegram signed by M. Souritz, sent to M. Stalin on the occasion of the Soviet-Finnish Peace Treaty as an intrusion by M. Souritz into internal French politics and that certain expressions in the telegram were incorrect towards the French Government. especially the passage stating: "Thanks to the wisdom of the Soviet Government and the valiant Red Army, the plans of the British and French war-mongers, who were engaged in kindling war in Northern Europe, have suffered a new setback."

Despatch Banned

The French Government banned the despatch of the telegram and declared that M. Souritz would no longer be regarded by it as a "persona grata" and expressed the desire that M. Souritz should be recalled.

SOVIET REPLY

The Soviet reply stated that it saw no real reason why the French Government could no longer consider M. Souritz as "persona grata" owing to the contents of the telegram in which the French Government was not even mentioned, but since the French Government had specifically raised the question of confidence in regard to M. Souritz, the Soviet had relieved him of the post of Ambassador in Paris.

France Won't Be Fooled

PARIS: The 'demarche' in Moscow resulting in the recall of Ambassador Souritz is interpreted here as indicating France's firm intention of seeing that her rights respected. France, it is pointed out, maintains and wishes to maintain good relations with all Neutral Powers, but she will not tolerate acts that are really directed against her, but committed under cloak of neutrality.

Russia has throughout the war claimed the advantages of neutrality and these have been granted. Despite successive agreements Russia has signed with Germany, normal relations have been maintained; but France does not intend to be fooled. The Ambassador's telegram to M. Stalin when the Soviet-Finnish Peace Treaty was signed is regarded as containing expressions inadmissable from a diplomat.

The French Government's immediate energetic reaction is solely in international sphere, but it is linked with various measures taken recently to suppress all internal activities harmful to the Allied cause.

It is pointed out that the recall of the Ambassador does not mean breach of Franco-Russian diplomatic relations.

London Not Concerned

LONDON: A British spokesman was asked whether the recall of the Soviet Ambassador in Paris had in any way affected Anglo-Russian relations. The reply was that there was no alteration in these relations. The Souritz incident, it is stated, was purely a matter between the French and the Russian Governments and M. Sourtiz himself and in this the British Government was in no way concerned.

NOT DIPLOMATIC

Reuter was informed that the telegram to which the French Government took exception was apparently not a privileged diplomatic communication, but a telegram sent by the Ambassador on behalf of the Soviet Colony in Paris. The telegram was an open one in the French language and so subject to normal French censorship.—Reuter.

"CASTLEMOOR" TAKEN AS LOST

Newcastle Ship Very Much Overdue: 42 Crew On Board

LONDON, March 27.

The British steamer "Castlemoor" of Newcastle is so much overdue that she must be presumed to be lost. Hope has not yet been given up for the crew of 42.

Netherland's Steamer Sinks

It is feared that the Netherland's steamer "Saba" (400 tons) is lost as she is a week overdue. "Saba" which has a crew of 70 is reported to have been attacked by a German aeroplane three weeks ago in the North Sea and to have been damaged. The damage, it is reported, made her unseaworthy and she sank in an attempt to reach home.

Crew Of "Daghestan"

Sixteen members of the crew of the 'Newcastle' oil tanker "Daghestan" (5742 tons) sunk in the North Sea on Sunday night landed at a northeast Scotland town. When the vessel went down, the men took to boats, one of which overturned. the Captain and three men being drowned.

"Rossington Court"

LONDON, March 27.

Thirtysix officers and crew of Rossington Court which was rammed in the Atlantic on March 13 by an oil tanker landed at a south coast port today. There was no loss of life, when the accident happened but the crew of "Rossington Court" had no time to collect their belongings.—Reuter.

ATTEMPT ON BURMA MINISTER'S LIFE?

RANGOON, March 27.

The revelation that an attempt on the life of the Forest Minister, U. Saw, was feared was made by the Speaker of the House of Representatives to-day, when he explained the reasons for the unusual activities of the police yesterday and Monday.—A.P.

NAZI AIR FORCE MORE ACTIVE

Flights Over France To Reconnoitre Position Of Troops

PARIS, March 27.

Operations on the Western front during the past 48 hours have been marked by great activity on the part of the Nazi Air Force. A Number of German machines, sometimes as many as 13 at a time, have been flying over northern and eastern France.

During the night of Monday-Tuesday and in daylight yesterday, Nazi planes flew over areas behind the Maginot Line in groups of three, seven and 13 presumably with the object of reconnoitring the position of French troops.

On the land, there was patrol activity west of Saar yesterday and one French patrol penetrated far into enemy territory and brought back interesting information about German defences.—Reuter.

British German Air Fight

An Air Ministry bulletin from the headquarters of the British Air Force in France announces a marked increase in aerial activity yesterday in the neighbourhood of Metz.

A formation of seven enemy reconnaissance craft escorted by fighters were intercepted and engaged by British fighters. Several encounters occurred and our fighters having broken up the enemy formation forced the enemy to abandon reconnaissance.

One British patrol encountered a formation of nine enemy fighters. In the ensuing fight two enemy aircraft were seen descending in flames. One of our fighters was shot down but the pilot escaped by parachute.—Reuter.

German 'Planes Drive Away Anglo-French 'Planes

BERLIN, March 27.

A German High Command communique, chiefly concerned with air activity, states during March 26, enemy planes tried many times to cross the German-French frontier. German chasers drove them off and without any loss to themselves shot down a British Hurricane and French Morane.—Reuter.

French Press Cheers Up Reynaud

PARIS, March 27.

The French Press reflects the deep impression made by M. Reynaud's broadcast. L'Epoque says "We will abandon M. Reynaud tomorrow if we consider him wrong, but let us give him credit to-day. L'Figaro writes M. Reynaud addressed the nation in sober, energetic and determined language. He impressed on us to what extent every Frenchman's effort is necessary to secure victory.—Reuter.

Reynaud Establishes Contact With Foreign Envoys

PARIS, March 27.

M. Reynaud intends to make direct personal contact with all of France's chief foreign envoys. Ambassadors at Brussels and Rome will be the first to return to Paris for a short period. The Ambassador in London was in Paris a few days ago. Other envoys will report shortly.—Reuter.

NOTORIOUS OUTLAW SHOT DEAD?

BANNU March 27.

Gulnawaz, a notorious outlaw and associate of the Faqir of Ipi is reported to have been shot dead during an encounter on Friday when a military picket at Kachkot was sniped. Official information is, however, lacking.

Gulnawaz was a resident of the village of Turka in Sorani and the Government had announced a reward of Rs. 3000 for his arrest or information leading to his arrest.—A. P.

Application To Quash Defamation Complaint

Mr. Justice N. J. Wadia and Mr. Justice Sen at the High Court admitted an application made on behalf of Mr. Low, Editor, and Mr. Smith, publisher of the "Times of India" for an order to quash the complaint of defamation filed against them in the Bandra City Magistrate's Court by Mr. S. B. Sanglikar in connection with certain reports published in the paper regarding the Bandra Bus strike.

It will be recalled that a civil suit for defamation filed against the petitioners by the opponent was recently dismissed by the [illegible]

HIT-LIN PACT PUNCTURES

Totalitarian Alliance Not So Smooth Affair: Soviet & Balkans

AMSTERDAM, March 27.

The "Telegraaf's" Berlin correspondent says that it is clear that preparatory conversations for a new Russo-German contact are not proceeding smoothly. He adds: "The chief obstacle is apparently the question of Soviet guarantees for Rumania and Turkey to form the basis of a rapprochement between Russia and Italy. Moscow seems disinclined to abandon its ambitions in the Balkans even for a limited period".

The correspondent further declares that a complete change has overtaken the Nazi press. Whereas last week newspapers resounded with cries of "a New Europe" to be created by closer co-operation between Germany, Italy and Russia, no single word is said now on this subject. Only last Saturday Wilhelmstrasse spokesmen were indicating that a visit from M. Molotov was imminent, but now, when questioned, they merely refer to the Soviet denial concerning such a visit.

Italian lack of enthusiasm over German statements about Berlin. Moscow-Rome triangle has not escaped notice in Berlin. Particular attention was attracted by the Rome wireless denial of rumours that an Italian Mission would commence negotiations with Moscow.—Reuter.

New Finnish Ministry

HELSINKI, March 27.

As anticipated the Finnish Government resigned when Parliament met to-day and a new Ministry was formed in which M. Ryti retains Premiership. M. Rolf Witting is Foreign Minister and M. Tanner becomes Minister for Public Welfare.

Seven members of the new Cabinet were in the outgoing Ministry and all with the exception of M. Tanner retain the portfolios they held before. M. Paasikivi, a Minister without portfolio in the outgoing cabinet, is not in the new Ministry.—

The new Government is described as a Coalition Government uniting all parties in the task of reconstruction.

Finnish delegates continued negotiations at Moscow all through Easter. It is revealed that the Russians are trying to obtain industrial products from Finland.—Reuter.

Finnish President's Message To Retiring Government

HELSINKI March 27.

In a message to the retiring Government, President Kallio described the Soviet peace terms as "immoderate." He added that yet the people and parliament had realised that even an ungenerous peace was preferable to years of sanguinary war in the face of great odds.

M. Kallio paid a warm tribute to the outgoing Government for its endeavours to secure munitions during the war adding "The defensive capacity of our army is quite different from what it was at the beginning of the war. It is true, our country is mutilated—a matter which we mourn—but the Finnish people, alive to their duty, our independence and our heroic army, still exist. These are foundation stones on which we shall continue to build our future.—Reuter.

Dr. Moos Explains MECHANISM OF IRON LUNG

A lecture demonstration on the rise of the Iron Lung was given by Dr. F. N. A. Moos, at the Hall of the St. Xavier's College, on Wednesday night. Major-General H. C. Buckley presided.

After tracing the evolution of the respiratory system, Dr. Moos said that artificial respiration was based on the elasticity of the lungs. Normally, breathing was automatic 'rhythmic'. If by accident poisoning or disease, the mechanism broke down in part artificial respiration was resorted to. In most cases of paralysis due to shock, if life could be sustained by artificial respiration, the patient stood an excellent chance of living.

Dr. Moos then described the mechanism of the "Iron Lung". In cases of total paralysis, the small units had to be replaced by larger ones. The machine in such cases was large enough to take both the nurse and the doctor.

Concluding he said that no scheme could replace the manual methods of artificial respiration. The greater majority of emergencies, of respiratory failures from poisoning, electric shock, drowning, needed immediate mannual artificial respiration and were quite unsuited for the ma[illegible]

SIND PREMIER'S

S. O. S. To Congress President

Censure Motion Against New Cabinet To Be Taken Up On Friday

KARACHI, March 27.

Mir Bundeh Ali Khan the Premier, has sent the following telegram to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Dr. Rajendra Prasad and Acharya Kripalani:—

"Kindly remove the doubts and misunderstandings regarding the new Nationalist Ministry. My Ministry is not a Muslim League Ministry. The Muslim League and Hindu Independent Parties dissolved themselves and the new Government is nationalist in policy, programme and outlook.

"A bill for joint electorates in borough municipalities was introduced to-day and another bill with the same object will be soon introduced. My Government stands for national unity and the improvement of Hindu-Muslim relations and is pledged to create a sense of security in Hindu and other minorities in Sind and safeguard their legitimate interests." United Press.

Censure Motion

KARACHI, March 27.

The censure motion against the new Sind Ministry in the form of a one-rupee cut motion on the supplementary expenditure demand tabled in the Assembly by Pirzada Abdus Satar, ex-Parliamentary Secretary, will be discussed on Friday, March 29.—United Press.

Will Karachi Civic Elections Be Postponed?

KARACHI, March 27.

It is understood in pursuance of the policy to introduce Joint Electorates in Local Bodies all over Sind, the Sind Government are considering the proposal of members of Congress Party Assembly, to postpone the forthcoming general municipal election to the Karachi Corporation on April 16, though nomination papers has already been received.

In case the election is postponed the life of the Corporation will be further extended for six months thus giving the Corporation a lease of six years.—A. P.

Sumro Withdraws No-Confidence Motion

KARACHI, March 27.

Mr. Mohamed Sumro, M.L.A., who had given notice of no-confidence notices against the Bundeh Ali Ministry, collectively and individually, has withdrawn them as another Opposition member. Mr. Pirzada, has tabled a one-rupee cut motion under the head of Civil Works, which will be coming up before the Assembly, on March 30 in the form of a supplementary demand.—A. P.

Allahbux Supports Joint Electorates: First Reading Of Bill Passed

KARACHI, March 27.

Khan Bahadur Allahbux, ex-Premier of Sind, and leader of the Opposition, expressed himself in favour of the introduction of joint electorates not only in local bodies but also for the Provincial Legislatures, while supporting the Bill to introduce joint electorates in Local Bodies in the Sind Legislative Assembly to-day.

The House passed to-day the first reading of the Joint Electorates Bill.

The House also passed two official Bills left by the previous Ministry in the third reading stage, namely, the Bill prohibiting the printing and publishing or the sale of the Holy Quran by non-Muslims in the Province and the Marketing Bill.—United Press.

Mr. Mahomedbhoy Rowjee's Statement

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I am much surprised to read Mr. Alimahomed Meclai's letter in your issue of 27th March 1940 wherein he says, amongst other things, that H. H. the Aga Khan's Supreme Council for India has nothing to do with politics. This statement is incorrect and unwarranted, and I wish Mr. Meclai had carefully read the broad principles declared by Rt. Hon. H. H. the Aga Khan on 9th March 1940 for the guidance of H. H. the Aga Khan's Supreme Council for India before rushing to the Press. These principles 'inter alia' state as follows:—

"No. 3. The Council shall deal with all legal and political matters concerning or affecting the Ismaili religion and its followers, and shall make representation to the Governmente, other authorities or public bodies or institutions, or take other necessary steps, in furtherance of the community's interests."

In view of these specific commands of His Highness the Aga Khan, the purpose for which H. H the Aga Khan's Supreme Council for India is constituted is quite evident, and requires no commentary from anyone.

It is hardly necessary for me to point out here that my statement referred to by Mr. Meclai in his letter was given in my personal capacity, and I wonder how Mr. Meclai could have misunderstood the same.—Yours etc.,

MAHOMEDBHOY I. M. ROWJEE.

LATE YAKUB HASSAN

Gandhiji And Madras Governor Send Condolence Messages

MADRAS, March 27.

Mahatma Gandhi in a telegram to Mrs. Yakub Hasan says: "My sincere condolences on your bereavement. May God give you strength to bear the loss."

The Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor of Madras has written to Mrs. Yakub Hassan expressing His Excellency's deep sympathy to her family in their bereavement.—A.P.

Madras City Council's Condolences

MADRAS, March 27. [illegible]

CONTROL OF JUTE PRODUCTION

CALCUTTA, March 27.

The problem of restriction of jute in all its bearings will be considered at a conference of representatives of the jute growing provinces of Bengal, Bihar and Orissa to be held on April 9.

This information was given by the Hon. Mr. Tamizuddin Khan, Minister for Agriculture, during question time when the Bengal Legislative Council (Upper House) met to-day after four weeks' recess.

The Council passed without any amendment the Bengal Jute Regulation Bill, 1940. The Bill, which has already been passed by the Lower House, empowers the Provincial Government to regulate the growing of jute and for that purpose undertake the preparation of a record of land on which jute was grown.—A. P.

evening passed a resolution placing on record its sense of loss at the death of Moulana Yakub Hassan.

THE APRIL-FOOL DAY!

Are You on Guard?

Any one is liable to find himself a victim of the Aprilfool trick. Suppose you have been thinking of doing something in the month of March, but as you go on putting it off from day to day the 31st of March approaches. But you still miss it and the next day the 1st of April you find yourself unable to avail of the opportunity which March offered you? None but your ownself will then have played the Aprilfool on you. Here is the reminder. Put your wish into action now, if you have been thinking of availing of the opportunity, which the Amritdhara Pharmacy offers in March, of reducing your medicinal expenditure to half. Have you sent your orders and Money [illegible]

DISABILITIES OF INDINAS OVERSEAS

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measures to deal with it and he therefore withdrew the resolution.

INDIANS OVERSEAS

Mr. Ghulam Bhik Nairang moved a resolution recommending that the opinion of the House be conveyed to the Secretary of State that steps should be taken as early as possible to bring about the removal of disabilities to which Indians are subjected in various parts of the British Commonwealth of Nations. The mover dealt upon the happenings in Burma and Ceylon as illustrative of the condition of Indians abroad.

RAZA ALI'S STRAIGHT QUESTION

Sir Raza Ali felt that if Government trusted Indian leaders and took them into confidence, much of their difficulty would be minimised. About this time last year, it was apparent that the South African Government was enacting measures adversely affecting Indians' vital interests, measures such as Asiatic Land Legislation and those relating to segregation. To-day, the situation had not improved, and prejudice against Indians was growing. He should like to know what was the Government's latest attitude towards the Indian problem in South Africa and what specific instructions were being given to the Agent-General in South Africa.

WHY NOT RETALIATE?

Sir Henry Gidney declared it seemed that the people and the Government of this country were powerless to do anything to improve matters. Why, he asked, should not this country resort to reprisals? He knew that Government were acutely alive to the state of things, but he asked how far were the Government prepared to go in dealing with it?

Maulana Zafarali asserted that a milk and water resolution like that now under consideration was useless to deal with a state of things such as prevailed in Ceylon for instance, were the Ceylonese seemed to be taking revenge for Rama's conquest of the island (laughter). India, he demanded, should take more effective steps.

Sir Raza Ali: "What steps?"

FREEDOM, THE ONLY ANSWER

Maulana Zafarali said "we must become free in our country. As long as we are not free in India, as long as we have no army, no strong right arm to hit back there is no hope for us."

Government, he demanded, should take steps to make the country free and that would be the only way to convince the country that Government were in earnest in removing Indians' disabilities. The Maulana said that the Lahore resolution of the Muslim League did not mean division of India, but that Muslims in North India should occupy the same position as the Hindus in the south. Nothing more was intended.

Mr. Lalchand Navalrai urged the Hindus and the Muslims to unite and then he declared every power in the world would immediately respect Indians.

Mr. F. E. James said the mover had rendered a public service in tabling this resolution. because it could not be too frequently emphasised in this house that the condition of the Indian communities in various parts of the British Empire was unsatisfactory.

BAJPAI'S REPLY

Sir G. S. Bajpai replied to the debate.

Referring to Ceylon, as soon as the Government of India heard of the projected emigration restrictions last year, the requisite approach was made and in August the Governor of Ceylon declared that any definite proposal for restricting emigration would be referred to the Government of India and any legislation would be reserved for His Majesty's pleasure. No approach to legislation of this type had yet materialised, added Sir Girja Sanker, but here was the assurance which gave the Government of India an opportunity to do what they could to safeguard Indian interests in that island.

As regards Burma, a strong representation on the subject of compensation arising from the riots had been addressed to the Secretary of State for Burma.

DOMINIONS AND COLONIES

About Indians overseas Sir Girja Sankar referred to the distinction between the Colonies and the Self-governing Dominions, and said we recognised that His Majesty's Government might not be able to help us in South Africa and we must carry on as best as we could. As regards retaliation, one had to consider whether it was practicable. So far as the Colonies were concerned, Government had warned them that it would not be supine or silent as was evident from the ban placed on emigration to Ceylon and to Malaya.

In accepting the resolution Sir Girja Sankar said nobody could predict the outcome of the war. If he said victory should come to the allies, "we hope that with that will also come a radiant light which will ensure that Indians in the self-governing dominions are meted out evenhanded justice. (cheers). The resolution was passed unanimously.

Sir Raza Ali moved his resolution recommending the appointment of a committee of officials and non-officials to examine the present fiscal policy of the Government of India and recommend suitable modifications.

He had not concluded when the [illegible]

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CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY

(Left to Right) Bimla Kumari in "Naked Truth" at Krishna; A scene from "Ali Baba" coming to Pathe; Mawlankar and Meenakshi in "Ardhangi" at New West End; Kumar and Maya in Lakshmi" coming next week to Majestic; Saigal and Jamuna in "Zindagi" at Minerva.

"ZINDAGI" AT MINERVA IS INTERESTING STUDY IN BARUASQUE PHILOSOPHY

Two New Films Discuss One Old, Old Problem!

By Our Film Critic

HUNS "ARDHANGI" AT NEW WEST END, GOOD FILM, LIVELY SATIRE BUT REACTIONARY THEME!

THREE new Indian films were released last week.
"ZINDAGI," from New Theatres.
ARDHANGI", from Huns.
"NAKED TRUTH," A Bhavnani production.

[What does Barua want to say? This question rises to my mind every time I see a picture of his. I know he wants to say something original and significant, I know he is sincere and earnest about it, he is evidently consumed by the artistic urge to express it. But what is it he has been trying to tell us?

Elements Of Beauty

Perhaps the screen is not the proper medium for Barua. Maybe in a painting or a literary work he could do justice to himself. The film is the art of the masses and has little value if it is not understood by the masses. The pedestal of the pedagogue and the "arty" accents of the high-brow are out of place when talking to screen audiences.

Have no fear. "Zindagi" is not going to be a flop. It is not such an acute case of "artiness." It has elements of sheer beauty which will not fail to appeal at least to the more imaginative cine-goers. Add to it superlative photography with psychological manipulation of lighting (by Barua himself), Pankaj Mullick's divine music, two songs by Saigal that are the soul of melody and pathos, the cynical humour of the first part of the picture and the subtle, heart-wrenching emotionalism of the latter half, and the characteristically haunting performance of Jamuna and you know it is an excellent picture. A striking feature of the picture is the total absence of artificially created dramatic "highlights," climaxes and "suspenseful situations" which are often unnecessarily packed into films. The smooth, placid and almost dull flow of "Zindagi" may not be popular but it comes as a welcome corrective to the smash-and-grab of the conventional melodramas.]

(Meanwhile I have seen the picture for the second time and I have come away thinking that possibly the picture did have a pattern, symbolizing the pattern of life, according to Barua. The baffling mystery of life is again and again reflected in the chaste and delicious dialogues: *"Yeh nah tum jante ho na mai". . . "Yeh sub kiya hoga?. . . 'Ham Biya kar rahe hain?'". . . . "Mai Kahan Jaungi?"* However you look at it Barua's pattern of "Zindagi" resolves itself into a perplexing question mark)

Barua And Masses

That Barua's pictures have a highly individualistic approach to the problems of life is now generally accepted. Except for "Devdas" (which gained in popularity because its mood of fatalism came very near to the heart of the romance-frustrated millions of India) hardly any of his pictures has achieved mass-appeal. I have a feeling that he does not care for mass-appeal. He reveals himself in his pictures as an aristocrat and an individualist. Witness the emphasis on Shrimati's charitable activities, the aristocrat's solution of economic unequality! Which does not mean that he is all for orthodoxy and superstition. The temple scene in "Zindagi" where different people came to pray for mutually conflicting boons (and a harassed punter keeps on reminding the Almighty about Race Number Four, Horse Number Three!) is devastating satire of the most clever and refreshing type. But, even if he is impatient with blind obscurantism, he is not the one to revolt against social evils. He allowed "Devdas" to die of tuberculosis, sent away the artist to seek "Mukti" in the wilderness and the slum girl who had dared to demand her "Adhikar" reverted "to type" and revealed herself to be mean and petty-minded, a contrast to the aristocratic lady's generosity and charitable disposition. In "Zindagi," the drunkard and debauch who forces his wife to leave the home is not indicted, remains a vaguely unpleasant character in the background. On the other hand the educated young woman who had dared to seek happiness in an independent life dies--the death scene, by the way, is pictorially one of the most beautiful things I have ever seen on the Indian screen—muttering something about the evil fate of women who leave their husbands and homes. Saigal's characterization of an unemployed genius and a cynical philosopher just misses the heights of histrionic achievement though he makes up for it by that wonderful voice of his.

[An unusual picture, even a unique picture in a way,—yet I wish 'Shrimati,' the wronged wife, the educated woman, had fought for her rights instead of fatalistically dying like a cow!]

"Miss 1933" To "Ardhangi"

The cow, meek and stupid, is also held forth as a model for women in "Ardhangi" (Better-Half), the Huns picture in Marathi, at the New West End. Indeed, while "Zindagi" seeks to philosophize about the futility of a woman seeking an independent career, "Ardhangi" hits out at the modern woman with invective, satire and misrepresentation. The character of Arundhati is a cruel caricature of the educated woman, even as the character of Chanchala in "In Search of Happiness" is a libel on film stars.

There is nothing original in the theme of "Ardhangi." It is as old as "Miss 1933," if not older. It has appeared again and again in different disguises—to mention a few, as "Educated Wife," "Village Girl," "Madam Fashion," "Indira, M.A.", "Chandra, B.A.", "Doctor Madhurika," "Mother India," "Daughters of India," "Mazi Ladki"! And more will come soon, I am sure, for the glorification of the "ideal Hindu wife" always pays at the box-office!

For a change why not produce a picture showing the educated girl as a human being?

If you can forget this aspect of the picture—and you 'can' and you 'will' if you are an average cine-goer—you will find "Ardhangi" ideal entertainment. I have myself nothing but praise for the direction, photography, acting, editing and music of this picture which is infinitely better and ought to be more popular than "Brahmachari." Winayak's slick direction entitles him to be ranked as the most competent among the younger directors in the country. At this rate he will soon be classed with Shantaram, Nitin Bose, Barua and Devaki Bose.

Baburao Pendharkar at once impresses me with his ease and polish in the rather small role of Marutirao, the marriage-broker—Suave, heartless, quiet-toned man of the world. Since "Chhaya" this strikes me as his finest performance.

Not In The Script

The role of the "Society butterfly" that Leela Chitnis plays was not designed to win public sympathy. And yet in my opinion she invested it with a certain melancholy quality that was certainly not in the script, so that behind the mask of blase sophistication, and gay frivolity you detect a lonely soul, frustrated and cheated of life.

Malvankar who stole "Brandy Bottle" once again puts over a rattling good performance as the simple school master, with just the right proportion of *'naivete'* and slapstick.

Minakshi will be popular, mainly because of the audience's sympathy for her role of the simple, stupid, devoted housewife. Some of her songs are appealing, at least one is unnecessary. This song-complex has landed the director into one or two rather unnatural situations. For instance, I did not know that a modern young woman generally sings a song while coming down the steps to entertain her friends at her wedding reception!

Best Hit From Huns

Principal Atre has a wonderful sense of comedy and one can de-

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pend on him to pack his story with situations and dialogues that keep the audience entertained and exhilarated. Sometimes, however, the comedy descends into sheer farce and burlesque and types and characters (like the studious professor or the assiduous lover at Milady's service) are distorted rather than caricatured.

This critic will not be surprized if "Ardhangi" turns out to be the best and biggest hit from the progressive Huns Studio.

About Bombay Talkies' "Holi"!

AND OTHER INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS

By Studio Spy

On the "Holi" day, a strange spectacle was provided to the residents of Malad, the sleepy little suburb twenty miles away from Bombay city.

An eminent film producer, two Directors, a prominent star, several important technicians and artistes were celebrating "Holi" by going round in a bullock cart.

Much colour was splashed about the Bombay Talkies Studios that day for, led by Producer Himansu Rai himself all the important members of the Studio staff were merrily celebrating the festival of colours. The stars including Devika Rani, according to our information, presented just the right appearance for a technicolour film. And even staid publicity men were drawn into the vortex of festive hilarity.

The Bombay Talkies Studios, I may mention, maintain the atmosphere of a residential college and the spirit of camaraderie and good fellowship always manifests itself in such democratic celebrations.

FAST TEMPO

The Circo executives do seem to believe in fast tempo of production.

Within 3 months of the opening of their studio in Bombay, one picture (LAXMI) ready for release, another is being edited (SOHAG), the third (GEETA) is nearing completion, while the fourth and fifth have gone on the 'sets.'

Talking about Circo, I am told Prithviraj is the latest star to join their roster which already includes such well-known names as Chandramohan, Kumar, Mazhar Khan, Durga Khote, Maya, Bibbo, etc.

VISHNUPANT "NARSI BHAGAT"

The Prakash Pictures are taking special pains to give an authentic background to their forthcoming ambitious production, "Narsi Bhagat", based on the life of the celebrated saint.

Vishnupant ("Tukaram" and "Tulsidas") Pagnis who will play the title role recently toured Junagadh, Dwarka and other places in Kathiawar, along with Director Vijay Bhatt and the Art Director Kanu Desai. The idea was to familiarize themselves with the atmosphere of Sant Narsi's birthplace (Junagadh) and other towns that figure in his life story. During the tour they studied, sketched and photographed many old places of historical importance that will be seen in the picture.

Mr. Pagnis took this opportunity of hearing "bhajans" from the local townsfolk and it is their spirit of devotion, inspired by the life of the saint, that he will try to reproduce on the screen.

The party also exchanged views about the life of Narsi Bhagat with scholars and savants of Kathiawar. Wherever they went, Mr. Pagnis' reputation of "Tukaram" and "Tulsidas" went with him and they were accorded a hearty reception everywhere

I Hear

That Mubarak and Junarkar are jointly directing India Artists' "Bahurani."

That Director Zia Sarhady (who made "Bhole Bhale") has floated a new concern, Zie Productions, in co-operation with Messrs. Jani Bros. of Jayant Pictures.

That Director Kardar has started his new picture at the National Studios.

Sardar Akhtar Escapes Serious Injury

According to a report from the National Studios, in one of the scenes of "Woman", under production, Yakub, the villain of the story has to push Sardar Akhtar away. This he did so realistically while the scene was being shot that Sardar Akhtar fell heavily on her back injuring her spine. X-Ray examination revealed that the injury was not serious but the doctors have advised her complete rest for a few days.

Yakub was of course terribly sorry. You see, he is not a villain in real life.

"Woman" is awaiting early release.

Sagar's "Ali Baba" Comes This Saturday

CIRCO'S MAIDEN FILM "LAXMI" NEXT WEEK AT MAJESTIC

Sagar's ambitious, double-version film "Ali Baba" (the Punjabi version of which is doing well in Northern India) will be seen at Pathe from Saturday in its Hindustani version.

Directed by Mahboob, this film is said to have been produced on a lavish scale. It is based on the popular fantasy from the Arabian Nights.

The cast of the film includes Surendra, Sardar Akhtar, Ghulam Mohamed and Wahidan.

CIRCO'S "LAXMI"

Also opening soon, at the Majestic, is the maiden production of Circo's Bombay studio, "Laxmi," a Royal Film Circuit release.

Directed by Mohan Sinha, "Laxmi" stars Kumar with Maya and Bibbo in the cast.

ALSO COMING

"AZAD" (Leela Chitnis & Ashok Kumar) from Bombay Talkies to Roxy.

"CHINGARI" (Sabita Devi and Prithviraj) from Sudama to Imperial.

"WOMAN" (Surendra and Sardar Akhtar) from National Studios.

"MAI HARI" (Naseem and Navin Yagnik) from Minerva Studios.

BOMBAY FILM DIARY

BANDRA—"Meetha Zahar", starring Naseem and Sohrab Modi. At 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

CENTRAL — "Gorakhnath," Arun Pictures' mythological in Marathi, featuring Leela, Nandrekar, Vimal Sardesai, Chandrakant, etc. Recommended to devotional-minded Maharastrians, (Fourth Week.) At 4-15, 7, 9-45 p.m.

IMPERIAL—"Kum Kum the Dancer," Sagar production, starring Sadhona Bose with Dhiraj Bhattacharya, Isbaq, Kamta Prasad, etc. Notable for Sadhona's dances. (Third week). At 4, 6-30, and 9-30 p.m.

KRISHNA—"Naked Truth," Bhavnani production, featuring Bimla Kumari, Navin Yagnik, Sharifa, Trilok Kapur, etc. A purposeful, Sociological attempt. At 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.

MAJESTIC—"Raigad" (Marathi) starring Durga Khote. (Fourth Week). At 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.

MINERVA—"Zindagi", New Theatres production, directed by P. C. Barua starring Jamuna and Saigal with Sanyal. At 4-45, 7 and 9-45 p.m. (Reviewed on this page).

OPERA HOUSE—"Holi," Ranjit's latest production, starring Motilal with Khurshid, Sitara, Ishwarlal, etc. Seasonal appeal. (Second week). At 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.

PATHE—"Mud" (Apni Nagaria). Starring Shobhana Samarth, Nazir, Jayant, Singh, etc. Progressive slant on Labour versus Capital theme. Worth seeing. (Ninth and final week.) At 2-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.

ROXY—"Kangan." Bombay Talkies' production, starring Leela Chitnis and Ashok Kumar. Interesting, sentimental melodrama. Some good songs. Very popular. Should be seen. (22nd Week.) At 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

WEST END—"Ardhangi" Huns picture in Marathi, starring Leela Chitnis, Baburao Pendharkar, Vinayak, Meenakshi. Excellent entertainment. (Reviewed on this page). At 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.

"Naked Truth" At Krishna

Bhavnani Productions launched upon a daring experiment when they decided to produce "Naked Truth", a sociological film dealing with the problem of venereal diseases, based on the ideas in two plays of Henrik Ibsen.

The picture is now running at Krishna.

Bimla Kumari, Navin Yagnik, Sharifa, Trilok Kapur and Majeem-[illegible] the leads.

MUTT AND JEFF—Christmas on a Barter Basis! **By BUD FISHER**

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A CHRISTMAS GIFT FROM ME TO YOU, MUTT! MY BEST PAL!
OH, GOSH! THANKS, JEFF!
OH, BOY! A GOLD WRIST WATCH! JUST WHAT I NEED!
I'M GLAD YOU LIKE IT! AHEM! WE ALWAYS GIVE TO EACH OTHER, SO-
OH, I MEANT TO TELL YOU THAT I AIN'T "GIVING" THIS YEAR! HOWEVER, I WON'T DEPRIVE YOU OF THE PLEASURE YOU GET OUT OF MAKING ME HAPPY - SO I'LL KEEP THE WATCH!
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BOMBAY TELEPHONE COMPANY MEETING

Address by the Chairman, The Hon'ble Mr. R. H. PARKER

The Eighteenth Ordinary General Meeting of the Bombay Telephone Company, Limited, was held at the Registered Office of the Company, Amar Building, Sir Phirozshah Mehta Road, Bombay, on Wednesday, the 27th March, with the Hon'ble Mr. R. H. Parker in the Chair. Moving the adoption of the Directors' Report and Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1939, the Chairman said:—

Gentlemen,

I rise to move the adoption of the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1939 which have been in your hands for some days and which with your permission I will take as read.

During the year your Directors accepted with regret the resignation of Mr. Mathuradas Vissanji and we welcome here at our Annual General Meeting Mr. Vithaldas Damodher Govindjee who has been appointed to fill the vacancy thus created.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

The net profit amounted to Rs. 28,56,449 as against Rs. 26,70,766 in respect of the year 1938.

The rentals for telephone connections accrued during the year amounted to Rs. 49.33 lakhs comparing with Rs. 46.85 lakhs for the year 1938.

The percentage of working expenses for 1939 was 26.37 as against 26.16 in 1938.

EXPANSION.

Although we have not broken the record increase in the number of lines working created in the year 1937, there was a very large increase in 1939 as you will see from the figures contained in the Directors' Report. A very large part of that increase took place after the outbreak of War so that only a comparatively small portion of the revenue from this increased number of lines affects the Profit and Loss Account for the year under consideration.

You will remember that at the last Annual General Meeting I told you that your Directors had decided to offer to install exchange lines in residences on a message rate basis as an alternative to the flat rate basis of Rs. 45 a quarter. Owing to the delay in obtaining the necessary equipment it was not possible to provide the service on this new basis of charges on all the Company's Exchanges until the 1st of January 1940. There was therefore practically no benefit from this source during the year 1939 but there are already about 200 lines in respect of which payment is being received on the message rate scale and it seems clear that the alternative is popular and likely to be more so as the public realise its advantages. I may remind you that the scale is:—an Installation fee of Rs. 10, a monthly rental of Rs. 8 and a charge of one anna per call made by subscribers, there being no charge for calls received. This, for anyone who does not want to make as many as an average of four calls a day is cheaper than the flat rate basis of charges of Rs. 45 a quarter.

Many of those who have hitherto availed themselves of the Party Line Service will find that they can get a very much more satisfactory service on the message rate basis of charges and I can strongly recommend it to all those who make comparatively few calls.

APPROPRIATION OF PROFIT.

We have made the usual provision for depreciation and bonus to staff and have provided Rs. 3,09,328 for writing off the balance of the Magneto Plant and Apparatus. An Interim Dividend has already been paid and there remains a balance available of Rs. 11,26,346.

Your Directors have again recommended a Final Dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, making a total of 8 per cent. for the year without deduction of Income-tax. This will leave Rs. 5,25,569 to be carried forward to next year's account.

I pointed out last year that the dividend of 8 per cent. really meant that the approximate return on the capital employed was much nearer to 4 per cent. owing to the fact that the Shareholders had left in the business a sum approximately equal to the Share Capital. This comment applies equally in respect of the year 1939.

POSSIBLE PURCHASE BY GOVERNMENT.

As you are aware, Government of India have an option to purchase the Company's undertaking in 1943. In 1937 your Directors, in collaboration with the Bengal and Madras Telephone Companies, drew the attention of the Government of India to the fact that if the Companies were left in complete doubt as to whether the Government intended to exercise the option to purchase or not until one year before 1943, they would be placed in a position where they would not be able wisely to continue to provide at considerable expense for the future beyond 1943 and that failure to do so would mean that the undertakings after 1943 would be short of equipment and apparatus to satisfy the demands arising out of normal expansion.

With a view to overcoming this and other difficulties, Government are now actively considering the question of making an offer to purchase the Companies' undertakings in the early future, that is to say before 1943. We should expect this offer, if made, to include, in addition to a sum in respect of the assets to be acquired, a further sum as compensation for loss of profits between the date of acquisition and the date of Government's option to purchase in 1943.

At this stage I can only say that if and when this offer is received it will have your Directors' most earnest consideration and that it will not be accepted unless the Shareholders so decide in general meeting.

STAFF.

I feel sure you will join with me in an expression of our appreciation of the work done by the staff during the last year. Apart from the heavy amount of work, especially in the last few months of the year, in connection with the installation of new lines, there has been a great deal of extraordinary work in connection with the negotiations with the Government of India regarding the offer to which I have just referred.

The War also brought its special problems more particularly for Mr. Bromham, our Secretary and Chief Engineer, and the Engineering Staff.

I now formally move—

"That the Directors' Report and the Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1939 be and the same are hereby received and adopted."

After the motion has been seconded, I will endeavour to answer any questions which Shareholders may care to ask relating to the Report and Accounts.

The resolution having been duly seconded the Chairman put it to the Meeting and declared it carried upon a show of hands.

A final dividend of Rs. 2|8- per share equal to 5 per cent. free of income-tax for the year ended 31st December 1939 was declared, and Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Bart, Mr. A. K. G. Hogg and Mr. Vithaldas Damodher Govindjee were re-elected Directors and Messrs. A. F. Ferguson & Co., and Messrs. S. B. Billimoria & Co., were re-appointed Auditors of the Company.

AGA KHAN HOCKEY

LUCK HELPS ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE

Karachi Rangers Lose Though Superior

St. Xavier's College ..... 3: Karachi Rangers 2

There was much handshaking when St. Xavier's College left the Gymkhana ground on Wednesday after registering a victory over the Karachi Rangers in the Aga Khan hockey tournament by the odd goal in five. The decider came in the last 30 seconds.

The College had ample cause to be jubilant for Dame Fortune did not only smile on the Xavierians but lapped them safely through the contest.

TALE OF ILL-LUCK.

It is a pity a good side like the Karachi Rangers—the better side on Wednesday—should have left the tournament under the conditions they did. Many critics hold that after Karachi had taken the lead the College drew level with a shot in which the scorer elicited a majority view that ball had of our good umpires, and it is unfortunate that a slip should have crept in, when it concerned a side who had come all the way from Karachi.

To augment to a bad state of affairs, Karachi hold that the second goal that was tallied by the Xavierians was no point. The ball had gone out of play and was snapped back over the line by a Xavierians attacker.

After the game inquiries among spectators in the stands to the right, who were best placed to form an opinion elicted a majority view trat ball had travelled a few inches out of the field of play, but in a second was brought in again. Most probably a group of players shut out the ball's journeying from Umpire Lynn's view—most unfortunate for Karachi. Then came the climax to an evening of tragedy. There was half a minute to go the score had been made two all earlier in the half. St. Xavier's College away, a melee in the Karachi goal-mouth followed the visiting defenders in their anxiety unsighted the goalkeeper, a push from a Collegian and the ball feebly trickled over the goal line, an effort any goalie could have intercepted.

THE PLAYERS.

It cannot be said that St. Xavier's played poorly. They put up one of the best games of the season. Even our lapsing Willie was going great guns in the pivotal berth, and pleased fans, critics and supporters alike. Ashton Pereira was a splendid left inner, and put in a lot of work. Agnel was poor on Wednesday, though he was the lucky man of the side, the all-important point that robbed Karachi came from him. L. Joseph was a good right inner. O. Ferreira did most of the defending at back. De Sales in goal is fast building up a reputation as a reliable and clever goalkeeper.

THE GREAT "P. P."

Easily the best man on the Karachi side was the great P. P. Fernandes, known to the stands as just "P.P." He was a great left inner and had the Xavierians oft puzzled by his wizardry. "P.P." might have been greater if he had shed some of the individual stuff he was apt to indulge. He delighted in beating a two and then passing. It happened on a number of occasions, the ball was pilfered before he could carry it past the men he desired to trick. H. Hannah did all that was asked of a centre forward and more he was untiring, clever and thoughtful. Of the other three good men that made up Karachi's attack, the outside right, A. Fernandes, was in best form. He was fast, his passing was delightful, more use should have been made of this forward. D. Braganza was the pick of the half line, his destructive work were just 'IT'. The pivot, A. H. Brewing worwed hard, and if not a class centre-half, rose to real usefulness often. Abbas Khan, the right half, played fairly well Karachi's full backs appeared agitated and at times were guilty of lapses at critical phases, where coolness and accuracy was called for. They played better in the second half than in the early spell.

THE GAME.

Karachi were the raiders in the opening minutes and in third minute were dangerous. Willie Fernandes with a strong clearance brought relief. A rundown by St. Xavier's but Karachi returned, a nice movement taking them up. They reached the opposite "D", Hannah, the Karachi centre forward, sent in a nice forward pass. To De Sales, the Xaverian goalie, rushed out to meet it, he fell as he neared the ball. P. P. Fernandes got his stick to the ball and found the net.

St. Xavier's went out for the equaliser. They carried play to their opponents area, but the equaliser allowed by Referee Lynn, was not a goal, as A. Pereira badly made sticks when scoring.

Karachi again had St. Xavier's defending and P. P. Fernandes was a trifle unlucky in not seeing two of his shots find the mark. St. Xavier's goal had a lucky escape seven minutes before half time, following a penalty corner. Here a melee ensued, and a defender checked the ball an inch the right side of the goal line.

XAVERIAN'S IN LUCK.

The last few minutes of the half went to St. Xavier's. During a raid by the College the ball went out of play near the goal. Referee Lynn evidently did not notice it, though hundreds in the stands held the ball had gone over the border of the area of play. The game went on and L. Joseph in the course of a melee scooped it high into goal. With the score two to one in favour of the College the interval arrived.

The teams attacked in turn on resuming, but St. Xavier's were the more dangerous. Agnel spoilt two good movements by the College.

Ten minutes after half time Karachi missed a glorious chance to get on terms. P. P. Fernandes had only De Sales to beat, the latter, however, got down to the ball smartly to save St. Xavier's. A. Fernandes immediately after threw away another opening that Karachi might have utilised.

After Rowland of St. Xavier's had thrown away a likely opening, Karachi broke away, a delicious pass from the right by A. Fernandes, a first timer would have brought the equaliser, failing this, a scramble followed. Sticks, legs and falling players, could be seen from Press Box, the whistle sounded —Karachi had deservedly earned the equaliser. Hannah's back was patted by a number of Karachi players. This indicated to the stands that he was the hero of the moment.

From the bully-off Karachi went over, Mendes made sticks in the ring. Excitement ran high, Karachi getting the support of the stands, who were pleased that they had saved the game that had been snatched from them through unfortunate incident.

St. Xavier's forced two penalty corners to no purpose. Then Karachi came along with two dangerous raids, sticks in the cricle on both occasions by attackers spoilt them. Karachi persevered and when P. P. Fernandes looked all over a scorer, O. Fereira lifted the ball off his stick. Willie Fernandes was proving a great spoiler at this juncture, when Karachi were all out for the decider. In the closing minutes St. Xavier's were in distress and the spectators looked for a goal from the Sind team at any moment.

The last minute arrived and St. Xavier's flew down with the ball, a melee in the goal-mouth, the people in the stands were on their toes in tense excitement. Karachi defenders were here, there and everywhere, in their excitement the goalkeeper was unsighted and a push from Agnel the ball roll limply over the goal line. The whistle closed the game before the centre bully could be taken.

The teams were:—

ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE:—F. de Sales; O. Fereira and S. Rodriques; T. Soldana, W. Fernandes and A. de Souza; H. Ribeiro, L. Joseph, V. Rowland, A. Pereira and J. Agnel.

KARACHI RANGERS:—T. Braganza; O. B. Nazareth and J. K Irani; Abbas Khan, A. H. Brewin, and D. Braganza; A. Fernandez, C. Franco, H. Hannah; P. P. Fernandez and P. Mendes.

TO-DAY'S GAME.

Gymkhana ground—5-30 p.m.—Brothers Club, Lahore, vs. "Times of India" Sports Club.

Football

THE BENGAL CLUB TOURNEY

As expected, this year's Bengal Club Cup football tournament has attracted a large number of teams. The "Times of India", the Young Goans, the W.I.A.A. Staff, the Y.M.C.A., the Matunga Athletic Club, The Bhimraj Sports Club, are some of the outstanding teams who have already entered the tournament.

The tournament will start on April 6. At the request of some local teams the last date of entry to the said tournament which was originally fixed at March 24, has now been extended upto March 31

This annual tournament is open only to Indian teams affiliated to the Western India Football Association.

PLANNED BATTLE AGAINST SOCIAL VICE

A suggestion that the Government of Bombay should be approached for the endowment of a shelter where mal-adjusted women who would otherwise drift into prostitution could be housed and trained to be useful citizens was made by Mr. K. M. Munshi addressing the members of the Bombay Vigilance Association, on Wednesday, at the Secretariat building.

The Association could count upon the goodwill of charitably disposed persons to some extent, but in order to tackle the problem of traffic in women, in its entirety. Government should be induced to help largely. The need for an asylum was urgent as a large number of women drifted into prostitution on account of domestic unhappiness, or social mal-adjustment. He felt sure that a Government which could afford to run many jails, criminal tribe settlements, etc., should not neglect this social work. He also pressed on them the need to approach the present Government of Bombay, for any desirable amendment in the Bombay Prostitution Act; he did not see any difficulty in the matter, for nobody would think of opposing such a measure on the ground that at present the legislature was not functioning.

CONTROL HOUSES OF VICE.

Mr. R. P. Masani, who presided spoke of the difficulties in the way of the social reformer; but with courage and confidence victory would result. Though he considered the abolition of prostitution as outside the scope of practical politics, still brothels could be declared illegal and closed down.

The report for the year 1939 was adopted, and Sir Gilbert Wiles was elected the next president and the Managing Committee was elected.

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FATAL ASSAULT AT ALLAHABAD

ALLAHABAD, March 27.

After a comparatively quiet morning there was a recrudescence of panic in the city in the early part of the afternoon when a case of stray assault was reported. The police officials and the District Magistrate rushed to the spot and restored confidence.

The victim of the stray assault succumbed to his injuries in the hospital where he was taken by the City Deputy Superintendent of Police in his own car and where his dying declaration was taken. A number of arrests were made on the spot.

The police authorities and the District Magistrate are watching the situation which has not deteriorated.—A. P.

Curfew At Mahad

ALIBAG, March 27.

A Curfew Order has been promulgated and meetings, processions and speeches prohibited at Salwada, in Mahad Taluka of the Kolaba District following a Hindu-Moslem riot there on March 25.

On March 26 some buses were stoned and shops looted, in the disturbance a police sub-Inspector and two constables were slightly injured.

The District Magistrate of Kolaba and the District Superintendent of Police have gone to the village and the situation is not now considered very serious.—A. P.

Tension At Jubbulpore

JUBBULPORE, March 26.

The deadlock over processions in Jubbulpore still continues. Though the markets have been reopened and normal activities have been resumed tension still prevails. The unburned 'Holis' are still occupying prominent cross-roads and await ignition.

Children are occasionally seen parading the streets shouting 'Down with 144', and sometimes carrying an effigy of the prohibitory order. The city is strongly guarded.

DARING ROBBERY IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, March 27.

A daring highway robbery involving a loss of about Rs. 17,000 was committed in broad day-light to-day near Canning Street.

It is reported that while a van belonging to the Comilla Banking Corporation Ltd., with armed guard and two jamadars was coming at about 4 p. m. with Rs. 60,000 from its Barabazar Branch to the Head Office on the Clive Street, about six Punjabis suddenly made their appearance near Canning Street and snatched away the gun from the guard. Thereafter they attacked the Jamadars with daggers, who put up a stubborn resistance and did not part with the main purse containing about Rs. 43,000. In the meanwhile people gathered and the miscreants decamped with two other purses containing about Rs. 17,000.

In course of the struggle both the jamadars received serious injuries necessitating their removal to the Medical College Hospital.—United Press.

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High Court

SESSIONS TRIAL FOR ATTEMPT TO MURDER

Mahmad Issak Mahmad Ibrahim, Abdul Razak Rahimat and Jamil Rahimatkhan were acquitted by Mr. Justice Somjee at the High Court Sessions on the jury returning a unanimous verdict of not guilty on the charge of attempt to murder and abetment.

According to the prosecution the accused stabbed one Abdulla Momen, the rent collector of a building known as Lambi Chawl in Suklaji Street, at about 11-30 p.m. on the night of December 1 last.

It was alleged that accused Nos. 1 and 2 were harassing two prostitutes living in the building, and the complainant who intervened was stabbed by them. The third accused was also alleged to have joined in the scuffle.

The accused's defence was that they were in the crowd that had collected at the place but that they had not taken part in the offence.

Mr. Mehta appealed for the prosecution and Dr. P. N. Daruwalla for the accused.

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PROVINCIAL COMMITTEES TO SUBMIT PERIODICAL REPORTS TO A. I. C. C.

"Overzealous Persons Will Harm Struggle Which May Be Suspended"

WARDHAGANJ, Mar. 27.

IN AN ARTICLE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE "HARIJAN" ENTITLED "EVERY CONGRESS COMMITTEE A SATYAGRAHA COMMITTEE":—

Form Satyagraha Committees

"WHEN I SAID AT THE SUBJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING AT RAMGARH THAT EVERY CONGRESS COMMITTEE SHOULD BECOME A SATYAGRAHA COMMITTEE, I MEANT EVERY WORD OF WHAT I SAID AS I MEANT EVERY WORD OF EVERYTHING ELSE I SAID. I WOULD LIKE EVERY CONGRESSMAN, WHO DESIRES TO SERVE IN THE SATYAGRAHA SENA TO READ MY TWO SPEECHES MADE AT RAMGARH AS WELL AS WHATEVER ELSE I MAY WRITE IN THE "HARIJAN" ON THE STRUGGLE AND CARRY OUT THE INSTRUCTIONS MEANT FOR HIM OR HER.

WANTED REAL DISCIPLINE.

In the coming struggle, if it must come, no half-hearted loyalty will answer the purpose. Imagine a general marching to battle with doubting, ill-prepared soldiers. He will surely march to defeat. I will not consciously make any such fatal experiment. This is not meant to frighten Congressmen. If they have the will they will not find my instructions difficult to follow. Correspondents tell me that though they have no faith in me or the Charkha, they ply the latter for the sake of discipline. I do not understand this language. Can a general fight on the strength of soldiers who he knows have no faith in him. The plain meaning of this language is that correspondents believe in mass action but do not believe in the connection I see between it and the Charkha, etc. if the action is to be non-violent. They believe in my hold on the masses but they do not believe in the things which I believe have given me that hold. They merely want to exploit me and will grudgingly pay the price which my ignorance or obstinacy (according to them) demands. I do not call this discipline. True discipline gives enthusiastic obedience to instructions even though they do not satisfy reason. A volunteer exercises his reason when he chooses his general, but after having made the choice, he does not waste his time and energy in scanning every instruction and testing it on the anvil of his reason before following it. His is not to reason why.

REGISTER VOLUNTEERS

Now for my instruction. Every Congress Committee should become a Satyagraha Committee and register such Congressmen, who believe in the cultivation of a spirit of goodwill towards all who have no untouchability in them, in any shape or form who would spin regularly and who habitually use Khaddar to the exclusion of all other cloth. I would expect those who thus register their names with their Committees to devote the whole of their spare time to the constructive programme. If the response is sincere, these Satyagraha Committees would become busy spinning depots. They will work in conjunction with and under the guidance of A.I.S.A. branches in a businesslike manner so that there remain in the jurisdiction of the Committees no Congressmen who have not adopted Khaddar for exclusive use.

I shall expect businesslike reports to be sent from Provincial Headquarters to the A.I.C.C. as to the progress of work of Satyagraha Committees. Seeing that this registration is to be purely voluntary reports would mention the numbers both of those who give their names for registration and those who do not.

Registered Satyagrahis will keep a diary of the work that they do from day to day. Their work, besides their own spinning, will consist in visiting primary members and inducing them to use Khadi-spun and register themselves. Whether they do so or not, contact should be maintained with them.

There should be visits paid to Harijan homes and their difficulties removed so far as possible.

Needless to say that names should be registered only of those who are willing and able to suffer imprisonment.

"No financial assistance is to be expected by Satyagrahi prisoners whether for themselves or their dependents.

"PASSIVE SATYAGRAHIS"

"So much for the active Satyagrahis. But there is much larger class of men and women, who though they will not spin or court or suffer imprisonment, believe in two cardinal principles of Satyagrana and welcome and wish well to struggle. These I will call passive Satyagrahis. They will help equally with active ones if they will not interfere with the course of the struggle by themselves courting imprisonment or aiding or precipitating strikes of labourers or students.

Those who, out of overzeal or for any other cause, will act contrary to these instructions will harm the struggle and may even compel me to suspend it.

FAITH IN NON-VIOLENCE

When forces of violence are let loose all over the world and when nations reputed to be most civilised cannot think of any force other than that of arms for settlement of their disputes, I hope that it will be possible to say of India that she fought and won a battle of freedom by purely peaceful means. I am quite clear in my mind that given the co-operation of politically-minded India the attainment of India's freedom is perfectly possible through unmixed non-violence. The world does not believe our pretension of non-violence. Let alone the world, I, the self-styled general, have repeatedly admitted that we have violence in our hearts, that we are often violent to one another in mutual dealings. I must confess that I will not be able to fight so long as we have violence in our midst. But I will fight if the proposed register is honest, and if those who courageously keep out will not disturb the even course of the struggle.

MOBILISE WORLD OPINION

"Non-violent action means mobilisation of world opinion in our favour. I know that a growing number of thinking men and women of the world are sick of the war spirit. They are longing for a way of peace and they are looking to India to point that way. We cannot have that opinion on our side if we are not honestly non-violent.

"Let me repeat what I have said in these columns that I shall be able to fight with a very small army of honest Satyagrahis and shall feel powerless and embarrassed if I have a huge army in which I can have no trust or as to those whose behaviour I am not always sure.

"I expect the A.I.C.C. to organise Satyagraha Committees and report to me from time to time of the progress made.

"If there is an enthusiastic response inside of one month it should be possible to forecast the exact period required to put the Satyagraha Committees in working order."—A. P.

THEIR CAUSE IS JUST

Strike Relief Committee's Appeal

Messrs. N. M. Joshi, Jamnadas Mehta, S. A. Brelvi, K. F. Nariman, Abdul Razak Abdulla, Khedgikar and other members of the Bombay Citizens' Strike Relief Committee have issued the following appeal:—

The public are no doubt aware that a Committee has been formed consisting of leading men and women in this City for the purpose of collecting funds for the relief of the textile workers who have been on strike since 4th March 1940. The strike has been one of the most unique, and dignified demonstrations of a genuine and substantial grievance. The steep rise in the cost of living which began last year even before the declaration of war and which continued in subsequent months, very seriously affected the family budget of the workers in the City of Bombay. Even in normal times the wages, which the workers receive, are barely subsistence wages and there is no possibility of making savings. In fact the wages are so low that chronic indebtedness is the lot of a large majority of the workers in Bombay. For these reasons the workers' life is usually one of great struggle and when in a crisis like war the prices rise the hardships which the workers and their families have to undergo can be easily imagined. For nearly five months neither the millowners nor the Government of Bombay did anything to alleviate the economic distress prevailing among four lakhs of citizens in Bombay. When at long last they took action, six weeks were further lost in the appointment, proceedings and the report of the Conciliation Board and the Publication of that report by Government. Thus, until the end of February 1940, the workers had to go on struggling against inadequate wages and rising prices without any relief.

THEY HAD NO OTHER GO.

The Report of the Conciliation Board brought them no comfort. The majority of the Board, while finding that the rise in the cost of living had been 13 per cent., recommended only 10 per cent. rise in the wages; on the other hand, the workers had demanded a minimum of 25 per cent., their demand was supported by the minority report of the Conciliation Board. Unhappily the millowners gave an increase of 10 per cent., war allowance irrespective of the rise in the cost of living. Being unable to secure justice the textile workers at last launched a general strike on the 4th of March. The strike has been one of the most peaceful, orderly and successful manifestations of the solidarity of the workers. It has also demonstrated, in a remarkable manner, how intense is their sense of the justice of their demands.

In the circumstances, the miseries of four lakhs of men, women and children are getting aggravated day by day. This Committee, therefore, appeals to the sense of justice and humanity of all people especially of the Citizens of Bombay and their large-hearted sympathy and trusts they will respond to this appeal promptly and generously. The Committee also appeals to men and women in the City who are anxious to serve as volunteers for collection of money for the relief fund to enlist themselves for this purpose immediately.

Contributions may be sent to the office of the Committee, Servants of India Society's Hall, Sandhurst Road, Bombay 4.

Strikers Maintain High Morale In Face Of Heavy Odds

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A large section of the city police force was mobilised this morning to meet all eventualities that may arise when the mills reopened after remaining closed for three days for the "Holi" holidays.

With the declared intention of the strikers to arrest the drift towards resuming work, by mass picketing, if necessary, on the one hand, and the decision of the Government to refuse to allow mass picketing on the other, the entire mill area was thrown into a ferment.

The Naigaum section, in particular appeared like an armed camp. The police "Bandobust" was perfect. Sir Gilbert Wiles, Chief adviser to the Governor, Mr. W. R. G. Smith, Commissioner of police and other officers of the city police toured the area.

PLAN ABANDONED.

But the threatened storm did not come. In persuance of the determination of the labour leaders not to come into open conflict with the authorities, the idea of mass picketing was abandoned.

The tension caused by these developments, however, left in its wake a string of cases of sporadic violence and the day yielded its crop of arrests.

According to police reports the strikers put finishing touches to their three days' propaganda by indulging in acts of intimidation on Tuesday night.

One of these incidents lead to the death of a clerk employed in the Phoenix mills. It is stated that Balakrishna and two others went to buy some "Beedies" at a shop in Sun Mill lane a little before midnight on Tuesday when some workers are alleged to have set upon them and assaulted them severely. They were removed to the hospital but Balakrishna died on the way.

In this connection the DeLisle Road police have arrested nine persons.

STONE-THROWING

It is also stated that on Tuesday night a group of strikers were throwing stones on the Morarji Gokuldas mills at Suparibaug Road. When a van with a police guard hurtled along the men ran away. The police, however, gave chase and arrested four persons, who are alleged to have been among those who were throwing stones.

Long before the sirens hooted for work on Wednesday morning the police were at their posts. The Bhoiwada section received special attention at their hands. Before every mill was to be seen a large posse of constables and a goodly number of officers. Not far off from the scene was to be seen a firing squad. Every road crossing and corner in the Naigaum Chawls and the roads leading to the Kohinoor and Spring mills had its own police patrol.

Pickets took their stand at the mill gates quietly and undertook their job without excitement. Mrs. Batliwala worked as a picket at the gates of the Kohinoor mills. Mrs. Nimbkar was to be seen near the Gold Mohur; Mrs. Joglekar before the Tata and Mrs. Maniben Mulji did her turn near the Spring Mills. They were also assisted by Mr. V. B. Karnik and Mr. Sastry.

NEGLIGIBLE ATTENDANCE

The propaganda of the last three days, seems to have had an appreciable effect on the attendance in the mills. The position in the Kohinoor and Spring Mills were visible affected and the Girni Kamgar Union claims that the attendance in the Tata and Gold Mohur Mills was almost negligible.

The only incident in this section was the arrest of two pickets before the Gold Mohur Mills. The Bhoiwada police reported that very few workers came out of the mills during the lunch hour.

The Mahim police arrested two workers, Shankar Panday and Khandswamy at Dharavi on Wednesday morning for alleged intimidation. The DeLisle Road police arrested two women pickets near the Textile mills for alleged obstruction. The Kalachowki police arrested three persons in connection with stone-throwing near the Swan Mills, Parel Tank Road. It is stated that a policeman and two women pickets were among those who were injured by the stone-throwing. Some cases of assault were reported from Currey Road, Sewri and other places.

IN BETTER POSITION

Summing up the position for the day Mr. R. S. Nimbkar, General Secretary, Girni Kamgar Union, said:—"From the strikers' point of view we are in a much better position today. In the mills that the owners have opened there is a very meagre complement of workers. Some mills have been entirely closed and in others there are very few hands, which means nothing. I congratulate the strikers for the high morale they have shown. They have to work against heavy odds, particularly due to the excessive zeal of the police to use law and order in favour of the employers. I found many police officers instructing the workers to resume work. It is clearly a breach of the attitude of neutrality, which Government had promised to take."

A spokesman of the Millowners' Association, however claimed that two more mills were reopened on Wednesday, one with full complement and the other with 50 per cent. complement. He admitted, however, that the attendance, in four mills had gone down due to picketing. The total attendance, according to him, was 20,000.

The Half-Column

By "Dim"

A divorce case is a divorce case in England and no one is grudging his or her share of the complimentary remarks. A certain wife in the English Divorce Court was described by Mr. Justice Laugton as "a woman of great audacity, monumental self-possession and colossal self-assurance." One feels kinda small if one was wedded to such a spouse.

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Extract from report on mill strike: "Some pickets were provided with a chair to sit upon." Socialism "de luxe."

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Well, well, Rashid Ali Baig, if you could always act and reason as you have done in your well-written, quiet, unassuming statement to the press, I am bound to say that you will be able to make a substantial contribution to the work of the generation to which you belong. But I urge and in all sincerity that often you must be content to take a back-bench seat and work for an idea or an ideal whether you get that little pat on the shoulder or not. Meanwhile, his statement to the Press must be regarded as the reaction of a cultured, sensitive young Muslim of the partition scheme of Mr. Jinnah.

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What has happened to the European Progressive Group?

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A number of Oxford men have expressed a desire to have an Oxford Dinner this year. Couldn't someone get sufficiently interested to fix things up? There is bound to be a great response.

Muslim Worker On Fast

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Abdul Wahab Bevar, a mill-worker from Madanpura, has gone on a hunger-strike this morning as a protest against the blacklegs who have entered the Madavji Dharamji Mills to-day.

Abdul Wahat declared his intention to go on hunger-strike if any of the mills in Madanpura area started working.

All the mills in the Madanpura area are closed except Madavji Dharamji Mills, which is working with fifty blacklegs.

Edgar Wallace Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — THE FEATHERED SERPE NT CASE

BOSS, I JUST GOT A FLASH!
YOU BLASTED FOOL, NO ONE SEES MY FACE, NOT EVEN YOU! I TOLD YOU TO KNOCK BEFORE COMING IN!
8-10
NOW--- WHAT IS IT?
TH' POLICE GOT A DRAGNET OUT FER INSPECTOR WADE! HE BROKE JAIL!
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WHAT? THEN HE'S STILL LOST HIS MEMORY. HE MAY COME BACK HERE, THINKING HIS NAME'S STILL SMITH!
MAYBE IT'S A TRAP, BOSS. MAYBE... TH' DOOR!
KNOCK
HELLO, LUGG. I CAME TO SEE... THE FEATHERED SERPENT!

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